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THE present and third volume of the calendar to the Hertfordshire Sessions Rolls covers the years 1851-1894. The volume also contains an addenda, dealing with a few documents from 1630 onwards, which are of interest, and which had been omitted under their respective dates in one or other of the two volumes of the calendar previously issued.

The completion of this calendar is a fact as to which the Hertfordshire County Council may well feel considerable satisfaction, for it shows an appreciation on their part of the value of the records belonging to them, both from the historic point of view and the legal; more especially when it is remembered that not only have the Sessions Rolls been calendared, but they have been carefully repaired and bound so that their preservation for the future is assured. It is noteworthy that in regard to this work on the records of Quarter Sessions, the County Council have followed in the footsteps of their predecessors, the Court of Quarter Sessions. So far back as 1835, when very scanty heed was paid to the preservation even of the Kingdom's State records, the Hertfordshire magistrates decided that the documents in their custody should be placed in specially prepared boxes and chests (*vide* Cal., Vol. II., pp. 356-357), and in the volume to which these remarks form a preface it will be seen that in 1874, and again in 1881, the proper safeguarding of the records of the county occupied the magistrates' attention (pp. 134 and 201). The new record repository which the County Council have had constructed at Hertford, and in which will be housed the records of the county, is a further indication of the public spirit and care which the Council have displayed as to the custody of the county muniments.

It is obvious from the late date to which the bulk of the

present volume relates, that there can be little of historic interest to which it is needful to direct the reader's attention. At the same time it is quite possible that it may be of more practical value to those now concerned in the administration of county business even than its predecessors. One fact alone will help to make it so ; there is a great increase in the number of instances in which maps and plans accompany the papers relating to the diversions of roads and footways. The bulk of the entries relate to such diversions, and also to the re-erection or repair of bridges. Such entries obviously do not call for detailed remark in a preface, though it may be permitted to call attention to the documents in the year 1878, which relate to the closing of the right of way from High Street, St. Albans, "through the abbey church," into Sumpter Yard ; for these documents record the existence of a state of affairs which may well seem strange to those who do not remember the cathedral before its restoration (p. 168).

There is, of course, a large amount concerning the adoption by the county of roads which had before been maintained by the various turnpike trusts. Tramway schemes affecting the county were considered by the County Surveyor in 1879 (the North London and Suburban Tramways), as was the Highways and Locomotive Amendment Act of the previous year (p. 183). The Highways Committee in 1889 decided to oppose the Chesham, Boxmoor and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramways Bill ; the projected line would pass over Bulbourne Bridge, which had a roadway of barely 17 feet, over the canal bridge, which had a roadway of similar width, under the Midland Railway Bridge, near the Heath Park Hotel, which was "dangerously narrow," and over Moor End Bridge, which had a roadway of only 15 feet. The promoters also sought powers to increase the gauge over the entire length of the line, and to lay a double track of rails in parts of Hemel Hempstead, leaving on either side a less width than 9 ft. 6 in. between the footpath and the rails. In regard to this scheme, the Committee of the Court, specially appointed to con-

sider it, recommended that all necessary steps should be taken for the protection of county interests till the time when the control of the roads should be assumed by the County Council.

A good deal of information as to the state of the county prison and its inmates will be found in the frequent reports of a gentleman who occupied the post of gaol chaplain for a long period. These reports occasionally contained some sound suggestion as to prison reform. In 1853 the chaplain testified to the fact that the prison evening school had been well attended, and that "many beneficial results" had followed the course of instruction pursued (p. 9). In 1855 we find him eloquent in his condemnation of the ticket-of-leave system (p. 22), and in 1869 urging the adoption of some method "of useful and productive industry" for prisoners, in lieu of the expenditure of fruitless toil and "exhaustion upon the treadmill" (p. 103). In 1874 the visiting justices submitted to the Home Secretary a scheme for the introduction of industrial labour for prisoners, which at once received the official sanction (p. 135). Regulations as to hard labour were issued in 1863 (p. 57), and revised the following year (pp. 65-66).

The state of the "lock-ups" in different parts of the county seems to have been unsatisfactory throughout the greater part of the period covered by the present calendar; the lock-up at Hemel Hempstead being in 1858 in a particularly disgraceful condition (p. 34). So late as 1870 several of the county police stations were "defective in construction and arrangement," and the Home Secretary expressed the hope that the magistrates would take speedy measures for remedying these defects (p. 259). This has since been done, and there is now a modern police station in all the principal towns in the county.

A great deal relating to police matters generally will be found in the regular reports of the Police Committee, to which reference is made in the present calendar. In 1857 the borough of St. Albans had prepared a plan to consolidate its police with that of the county, and the County Committee recommended that the

suggestion be entertained, and that it be authorised to negotiate as to terms (p. 30). In 1865 co-operation between the county police and those of the Great Eastern Railway was advocated. In 1870 the inhabitants of Ridge and Shenley petitioned that their parishes might be placed under the control of the county police instead of the metropolitan (pp. 259-260), but the Home Secretary, early in the following year, declined to sanction such an alteration (p. 112).

A few documents of interest will be found in the present volume, relating to the militia. In 1860 the then Earl of Salisbury called attention to the fact that the barrack accommodation provided by the county for the non-commissioned officers of the militia was quite inadequate. It had been provided in 1852 for a strength of 16, but, owing to successive increases by the Government, had then risen to 23 (p. 43). What was done as to this does not appear, but in 1870 the Earl of Verulam, then Lord Lieutenant, drew attention to the lack of adequate accommodation for the arms, clothing and stores of the militia at Hatfield (p. 108), which the following year drew forth a report to the magistrates as to repairs and alterations needed (p. 111).

The rapid increase in lunacy during recent years is revealed in a striking manner by several entries in the present volume of the calendar. Up to 1853 pauper lunatics from Hertfordshire were accommodated in the Bedford County Asylum, together with those of that county and of Huntingdonshire. The accommodation was insufficient, and it was agreed to erect a new asylum for these counties, Cambridge declining to join the union. A spot near "the Arlesey brick-yard siding" on the Great Northern Railway was selected, and on this the now existing Three Counties Asylum was commenced in 1856 from plans prepared by Mr. G. F. Jones, a York architect, assisted by the medical superintendent of the North and East Ridings Asylum.

The date of completion does not appear in the calendar, but by 1865 the accommodation was reported as "insufficient" (p. 82), and more money was spent on enlargement. In 1871 this enlarge-

ment had been completed, and the state of the asylum was returned as "satisfactory" (p. 111), but five years later the "crowded" condition of the asylum is referred to, and a further enlargement recommended (p. 160). This enlargement had been completed in 1880 at a cost of more than £75,000 (p. 193). It is not surprising to find, in the following year, a draft resolution prepared at Sessions to the effect that the provision of pauper lunatic asylums should be undertaken by the State (p. 204).

Mention of several points of interest in regard to the history of the county since 1851 will of course be found in the pages of the present calendar, such, for instance, as the relations between the county and the liberty; references to the formation of School Boards; reports on crime; the appearance and disappearance of the cattle plague and the measures taken to avert its spread within the limits of the county; reports by the county analyst; and the adoption of a system of payment by salary, instead of by fees, of the Clerk of the Peace and of the justices' clerks; but it is hardly necessary to occupy space in this preface by mentioning these points in detail.

We must, however, before concluding, consider quite briefly the documents, dating between the years 1630 and 1836, which form the Addenda to this volume. Between the first-named year and 1719, numerous presentments occur of persons attempting to follow trades to which they had not been duly apprenticed, and it is interesting to note that the first of these presentments is that of Robert Dimsdale, of Hoddesdon, a barber, who, without apprenticeship, followed "the art or mystery of a grocer" (p. 252).

During the time of the Commonwealth occurs an entry relating to the erection of a cottage, at Bennington, without assigning to it the requisite number of acres; and there is also a curious petition from the overseer of the poor for Waltham Cross for the repayment of money disbursed by him; in this it is stated that the money assessed (£4. 18s. Od.) could not be charged on the late King's estate of Theobalds Park, but that the charge must be upon

“the owners of it” (presumably those to whom the Parliament had sold it) “in respect of their estates there” (p. 255). During this period too, is a presentment for Sunday trading.

After the Restoration we find presentments for not attending church, and also for interrupting the service; but the most interesting entries in the Addenda are those which relate to the Plague. In 1666 a rate was raised throughout the county for the relief of Bishop’s Stortford, Hoddesdon and Cheshunt, which were much “impoverished” by reason “of the infection of the “plague by which they have been and are now sorely visited” (p. 257). Reference occurs to this visitation in the first volume of the Calendar. Later on, in 1671, we find that there was a surplus in the money collected, and that this was bestowed “towards the “building of a county bridge at Sawbridgeworth” (p. 258).

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15, OLD SQUARE,
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11th June, 1910.

BUNDLE FOR 1851.

7. Notice of application for an order for stopping up part of a public carriageway, called Kentish Lane, leading from Essendon into the public carriageway from London to Hatfield, called the Great North Road, and in the parish of North Mimms, commencing at a point in the said carriage-way called Kentish Lane, at a distance of 583 yards from its entrance into the Great North Road, and terminating at the Great North Road. Also for diverting and turning the said carriageway from the said point of commencement in a south-westward direction, through and over a close of land belonging to Robert William Gaussen, and adjoining his brick fields, into the Great North Road, by a course of 154 yards. 8th August.
8. Brief—To move for an order for the stopping up and turning of the above carriageway. 13th October.
319. Information of William Tunbridge concerning Elizabeth Hankin, charged with uttering and using counterfeit coin. 22nd April.
398. Information of Henry Norton concerning David Head, charged with obstructing the Eastern Counties Railway by placing stones upon the lines, thereby endangering the safety of the passengers. 22nd October.
500. Indictment of Thomas Sudell for placing a stake of wood across the rails of the Great Northern Railway, thereby obstructing the line and endangering the safety of the passengers. Found guilty, and sentenced to imprisonment for a year, with hard labour.
644. Report by the county surveyor that the bridges are in general repair, requiring little more than pointing and painting. 7th April.

655. Report of the treasurer of the county of the returns of fines and penalties imposed in the several divisions of magistrates, and payable in aid of the county rate. April.
688. Letter from the surveyors of the highways to the justices of the peace, calling attention to the offensive condition of an open ditch, commencing at the back of the county gaol and running along the left hand side of the highway leading from Hertford towards Ware, and requesting that the same should be removed. 28th June.
701. Consent of William Gaussen, of Brookmans in the parish of North Mimms, to the turning and diverting part of a public carriageway running through his land, and also to the making and continuing of a new highway through the said land (see 732). 28th July.
- 701a. Plan referring to the above highway.
720. Certificate by William George Goulburn, vestry clerk of the parish of North Mimms, that a notice was fixed by the side of each end of the highway from whence the same is proposed to be stopped up, diverted and turned, and that the same notice was inserted in the *Hertford Mercury* for four weeks (see 1170 to 1173). 13th September.
732. Certificate by William Parker and William Henry Sutton, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed part of a public carriageway, called Kentish Lane, proposed to be entirely stopped up, and leading from Essendon into the public carriageway from London to Hatfield called the Great North Road, lying in the parish of North Mimms, and commencing at a certain point in Kentish Lane at a distance of 283 yards from its entrance into the Great North Road, where it terminates.

Also that they viewed the course in which the same highway is proposed to be diverted and turned in a southward direction, through and over a close belonging to Robert William Gaussen, into the Great North Road, being in length 154 yards. They further certify that the proposed new highway is nearer than the old, and is for that reason, and also because it will avoid a long hill, more commodious to

the public than the old highway (see 701 to 720). 13th October.

733. Certificate by Rev William Adams and Charles Soames, two justices of the peace, that the following roads and carriageways in the parish of Buckland are sufficiently formed and completed.

1. A public road and carriageway commencing at a point in the highway which leads from Barkway to Buckland, situated in the western boundary of the parish of Barkway, and thence proceeding over Little Field in a south-westerly direction along the south-east side of an allotment to George Rust, and thence in a southwardly direction along part of the west side of an allotment to William Brooks, and thence in a south-westwardly direction along the north-west side of an allotment to the Countess of Mexborough, to a point in the aforesaid highway situated at the north-east corner of an old inclosure called "Thirty-acres."

2. A public road and carriageway commencing at a point in the aforesaid highway situate at the south-east corner of an allotment to the Rector of Buckland (comprising part of an old inclosure called "Eight-acres"), and proceeding in a south-westwardly direction along the south-east and south sides of the last-mentioned allotment, and thence in a westwardly direction along the south side of the remainder of the said old inclosure called "Eight-acres" to a point situate at the south-west corner of the old inclosure called "Eight-acres."

3. A public road and carriageway commencing at a point in the aforesaid highway situate at the north-west corner of an old inclosure called "Horse Close," and thence proceeding in a southwardly direction along part of the west side of "Horse Close" to a point in the highway which leads out of the last-mentioned highway to Buckland Church situated at a distance of 66 yards from the north-west corner of the old inclosure called "Horse Close."

4. A public road and carriageway, commencing at a point in the highway which leads from Wyddial to Chipping in the parish of Buckland, situate at the south-west corner of an old inclosure called "Ten Acre Hill," and thence pro-

ceeding over Popsull Field in a south-westwardly, westwardly, and north-westwardly direction, along the boundary of the parish of Layston to a point in the last-mentioned highway situate at the south-east corner of an old inclosure called "Hodner Field."

These roads have been set out by Martin Nockolds, valuer, acting in the matter of the inclosure of certain lands called Popsull Field, Southwell Common, Chipping, Mill Field, Money Field, Further Field, Little Field, The Eighteen-acres, Stockings Corner, and Mare Field, with the balks and strips of uncultivated land intermixed therewith and adjoining thereto, situate in the parish of Buckland, and in pursuance and execution of the powers and authorities for that purpose, contained in the Statute entitled "An Act to facilitate the inclosure and improvement of commons and lands held in common, the exchange of lands, and the division of intermixed lands, and to provide remedies for defective or incomplete executions, and for the non-execution of the powers of general and local inclosure acts; and to provide for the revival of such powers in certain cases." These roads are made of the width required by the Act entitled "An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to highways." 16th September.

736. Report of the chaplain of the county gaol, giving the aggregate number of prisoners as 751, being an increase of 20 on the preceding year.

The evening school has been regularly kept up, and well attended, 77 prisoners having been admitted during the year. 14th October.

796. Report of the visiting magistrates of the Asylum, that the number of patients has exceeded 120 during the year; also that contracts have been made for the new buildings, but the work has not been begun.
827. Account of bridges repaired, amounting to £89 9s. 4d. April.
898. Account of the following bridges repaired, amounting to £58 2s. 8d.:—Hoddesdon Bridge, Hatfield, Poplars Green (?) Welwyn, Wadesmill, Braughing, New Bridge, Gregg's Bridge, Chipping, Buntingford, and Ford Bridge. October.

1149. Letter from the Mayor of Hertford to the Committee of the County Justices, calling attention to the state of disrepair of the Council Chamber in the Shire Hall.

“ The Council were aware that, had the members of the Corporation retained to themselves the exclusive use of the room, it would devolve upon themselves to do the necessary repairs ; but inasmuch as the room is constantly used at the petty sessions, the quarter and adjourned sessions, and the assizes, by the county justices and the grand jurors, the Council trust that the committee will admit the reasonableness of the request now made to them, that the defects in the walls be thoroughly repaired, the ceiling cleaned and coloured, the walls and woodwork, etc., properly repaired and painted, and the room be put generally into a fit and decent state for the accommodation of the county and borough authorities.” 18th March.

1150. Letter from the guardians of the Hemel Hempstead union to the court of quarter sessions, upon the subject of the financial statements of the receipts and expenditure of the county rates, requesting that the accounts be published, and a copy sent to each board of guardians in the county. 3rd April.

BUNDLE FOR 1852.

10. Notice of Appeal (addressed to J. B. Denton, valuer, acting in the matter of the inclosure of the open fields and Lammas meadows, situate in the parish of Stevenage) by Lord Lytton, against the diverting of a certain footway, leading from Six Hills to Knebworth. 27th February.
21. Certificate by Thomas Kemble and W. H. Sutton, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a new public carriageway, in the parish of North Mimms, called Kentish Lane, leading from Essendon into the public carriageway from London to Hatfield, and called the Great North Road ; and that the said new public carriageway has been completed and put into good condition and repair (see 1851, No. 732). 5th October.

22. Certificate by Thomas Kemble and J. J. Faithfull, two justices of the peace, that they viewed a new public carriageway, situate in the parish of North Mimms, leading from Welham Green to Woodside in the parish of Bishop's Hatfield; and also a new public cartway, situate in the parish of North Mimms, and leading from Bishop's Hatfield to Marshmoor. They further certify that the said carriageway and cartway have been completed and put into good condition and repair. 5th October.
32. Notice of Appeal, on behalf of the trustees of the River Lee, against a rate and assessment made for the relief of the poor of the parish of Cheshunt. The grounds of appeal being that the said trustees have no beneficial occupation of the said navigation, and that they occupy no rateable property in the said parish. 4th December.
248. Information of Jane Sutton concerning Michael Driscoll, charged with uttering certain counterfeit coin. 31st January.
427. Indictment of John Coleman, for uttering counterfeit coin. Sentenced to imprisonment for 12 months with hard labour. 12th March.
456. Indictment of William French, for stealing six fowls. Convicted of a second felony and sentenced to transportation for 10 years. 28th June.
578. Report of the police committee, drawing the attention of the court of quarter sessions to the subject of the regulation of common lodging houses, and recommending the court to consider whether they will sanction the employment of the rural police for the purposes of carrying the Act into execution.
630. Report of the visiting magistrates of the gaol, that the tiled roofs require general repair, and that they have ordered a survey of those roofs to be made, and a report presented to the court at the next Easter sessions.
642. Application made by the justices acting in and for the petty sessional division of Dacorum, for the providing of a fit and proper place for the holding of petty sessions in the Hemel Hempstead district of the said division. 17th August.

668. Recommendation by the police committee, that a police rate of five farthings in the pound be levied for the ensuing half year.
739. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs of shire hall and county bridges. A note appended states that the bridges repaired were:—Hoddesdon Bridge, Spital Brook, Cheshunt Wash, Small Lee Bridge, Wadesmill Bridge, Gregg's Bridge, Ford Bridge, Braughing Bridge, New Bridge, Buntingford Bridge, Brick Bridge, Chipping Bridge. April.
1077. Report by the county surveyor that the bridges are in a satisfactory state requiring generally but slight repairs and pointing. Those of Sawbridgeworth and Bushey Mill require more extensive repairs, but the expense of the whole will not exceed £56. 5th April.

BUNDLE FOR 1853.

13. Application made to the justices of the peace for the providing of a fit and proper place for the holding of petty sessions of the peace at Buntingford, within the petty sessional division of Buntingford. 5th May.
23. Consent of Samuel Adams, of Ware, being owner of the lands described in the plan annexed, to the diverting and turning part of a public highway called Fanhams Hall Lane, commencing near the south-east corner of a garden and premises situate at Bourne Hill, and extending from thence in a north and north-east direction to, and terminating in Fanham's Hall lane on the north-west side of a certain close of land called New Close, being of the length of 587 yards, and of the average width of 16 feet 6 inches. Also to the making and continuing the new highway in, through, and over the said lands. 5th July.
- 23a. Plan referring to above highway.
24. Certificate by Styles Linstead and William Green Lee, surveyors, of the fixing of notices at the place and by the side of each end of that part of the above public highway proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, and also at

the place, and by the side of each end of the proposed new highway, and that the same notice was inserted in a newspaper called "The County Press" for four weeks (see Nos. 1873 to 1878). 5th July.

31. Petition by the churchwardens, overseers, and principal inhabitants of the parish of Wheathamstead, testifying to the good character of James Hawkins, charged with having stolen a bundle of straw of the value of threepence (see 823).
206. Conviction of Robert Lines, of the parish of St. Albans, charged with allowing gaming in his licenced house, contrary to the tenor of his licence; the said Robert Lines forfeiting the sum of £5 (this being the first offence), and the costs of the conviction amounting to £1 0s. 6d. 21st October.
823. Information of Thomas Ephgrave and others concerning James Hawkins, charged with stealing a bundle of straw of the value of threepence (see 31). 14th November.
1028. Indictment of Thomas White and Mary Ann Jones, charged with uttering counterfeit coin. Found guilty and sentenced, the former to eighteen months imprisonment with hard labour, and the latter to nine months. 10th August.
1176. Report of Thomas Smith, surveyor, that the county bridges are in a general state of repair. 4th April.
1265. Certificate by L. Marten Hadsley Gosselen and Frederic William Hamilton, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed part of a public highway, in the parish of Ware, called Fanham's Hall Lane, proposed to be stopped up, diverted and turned; also that they viewed the proposed new highway, commencing at a distance of about 12ft. 6in. from the point where the west boundary wall of the Ware Union Workhouse premises join a certain other public highway in the parish of Ware, called Musley Lane, and extends from thence in a north direction to, and terminates in Fanham's Hall Lane, near the point described as the termination of the highway proposed to be diverted and turned, the length being about 504 yards, and the average width for about 60 yards from the commencement being about 22ft., and the

residue of the length being about 30 feet in width, extending over and upon certain lands belonging to Samuel Adams, in the parish of Ware, called Home Field, Great Grass Salmons, Ploughed Salmons, and New Close. They further certify that the proposed new highway is more commodious to the public than the old as it is much wider and a better line of road. 25th July.

- 1303. Report of the visiting magistrates of the gaol, that the buildings are in good repair with the exception of some portions of the old tiled roofs, on which a temporary repair has been ordered.
- 1331. Report of the chaplain of the gaol giving the number of prisoners committed during the year as 642, as against 713 in the preceding year. The prison evening school has been well attended, and many beneficial results have followed from the course of instruction pursued there. 18th October.
- 1402. Report of the visitors of the Bedford Lunatic Asylum from the county of Hertford, that a meeting of the visitors of the three united counties of Bedford, Hertford, and Huntingdon took place on Friday last, for the purpose of a conference relative to the proposed extension of the existing union to the county of Cambridge, the erection of an asylum on a new site, the purchase of land for such purpose, and the question of compensation to the county of Bedford for the cessation of rent payable for the joint use of the present asylum.

An official communication was received from the county of Cambridge, the effect of which was that the county of Cambridge declined to join the union, and that therefore an asylum is only required for the counties of Bedford, Hertford, and Huntingdon. The meeting then resolved: "That the existing asylum is inadequate and unfit for the proper accommodation of the pauper lunatics of the united counties and Borough.

That it appears desirable to this committee that a new asylum should be provided on a new site in lieu of the existing asylum.

That any question that should arise on the subject of compensation be referred to arbitration.

That it is desirable the proposed new site should be in the vicinity of the Great Northern Railway, in a central position with regard to the three counties.

An estimate was given of the expenses of building a fit asylum for four hundred patients, for the use of the united counties (under the great increase of the cost of building materials and mechanical labour) amounting to the sum of £69,000, including the probable cost of 150 acres of land in a central situation near the said railway. The proportion of this sum which would fall upon the county of Hertford (under the Act of Parliament) would be £32,200. 29th November.

1419. Certificate by James Bently and John Harry Sanders, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a certain highway, made by George Jacob Bosanquet, Esq., in the parish of Broxbourne, commencing from an ancient public road called Pound Lane leading from Broxbourne Street to the Broxbourne railway station, at a point opposite the road leading to Broxbourne Church, and proceeding in a northwardly direction in the track of the public footpath called the Church path to, and terminating at, a certain bridge over the New River at the north-east corner of a field belonging to Lewin Tavener, Esq., called Broadfield.

They further certify that the said highway has been made in a substantial manner, and of the width required by an Act entitled "An Act to consolidate and amend the laws relating to highways."

- 1419a. Plan referring to above highway. 24th December.
1524. Account for repairs, etc., of bridges, amounting to £159 17s. 1d. April.
1845. Letter requesting that the application made by the justices acting in and for the division of Buntingford, "that a fit and proper place may be provided for the holding of petty sessions in that division" should be brought before the justices assembled at the next quarter session (see 13). 13th May.
- 1874 Notice of application for an order for stopping up, diverting,

and turning a certain public highway in the parish of Ware, called Fanham's Hall Lane (see 24 and 65). 27th May.

BUNDLE FOR 1854.

4. Requisition by the Rev. Thomas Dawson Hudson to the surveyors of the highways of the parish of Aston, requiring them to give notice to the churchwardens of the said parish to assemble the inhabitants thereof in vestry, and to submit to them the wish that a certain public carriage way lying in the parish of Aston, containing in length about 690 yards, extending from a public carriageway leading to Aston from the Turnpike Road from Watton to Stevenage, and passing from thence in a south-eastwardly direction near to and in front of a dwelling-house called Frogmore Lodge, over grounds belonging to the said Rev. Thomas Dawson Hudson, to a public carriageway leading from Watton to Walkern, should be entirely stopped up as unnecessary. 5th January.
- 4a. Plan referring to above carriage way.
5. Notice of application for an order for stopping up, diverting, and turning part of a certain public highway in the parish of Ware, called "Widbury Hill Road," commencing near the east corner of a certain close of land called "Green Hills," situate at Widbury Hill, and belonging to Joseph Chuck; extending from thence in an easterly direction to, and terminating in, Widbury Hill, near the east end of a yard there belonging to the said Joseph Chuck, being of the length of about 85 yards, and of the average width of 17ft., and bounded on the north and south by buildings and lands, being part of Widbury Hill Farm in the possession of the said Joseph Chuck, and on the east and west by other portions of the said public highway called Widbury Hill Road. The course proposed for the new highway, to be set out in lieu thereof, commencing nearly opposite the east corner of the close called Green Hills, and extending from thence in an easterly direction, and terminating nearly opposite to the yard mentioned, being of the length of 74 yards, and of the width of 21ft., and extending through, over, and upon a

portion of a close of land called "Home Close," situate at Widbury Hill, and belonging to Joseph Chuck. 19th January.

5a. Plan referring to above highway.

7. Consent of Joseph Chuck, of the parish of Ware, to the diverting and turning a certain public highway called Widbury Hill Road, and also to the making and continuing the proposed new highway through and upon his grounds (see 5). 19th January.
8. Notice of application for an order for entirely stopping up a certain public carriageway in the parish of Aston, leading to Aston from the Turnpike Road from Watton to Stevenage (see 4). 19th January.
9. Certificate by Styles Linstead and William Green Ree, of the parish of Ware, of the fixing of notices by the side of each end of that part of the public highway proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, and also by the side of each end of the proposed new highway, and that the same notice was inserted in the "Hertford Mercury" for four weeks (see 5, 2352, 2354, 2356, and 2358). 13th February.
12. Certificate by Thomas Newman and Alexander McKenzie of the fixing of notices by the side of each end of the public carriageway in the parish of Aston proposed to be entirely stopped up, and that the same notice was affixed on the principal outer door of the parish Church, and also inserted in a newspaper called "The Herts Guardian" for four weeks (see 4, 2353, 2355, 2357, and 2359). 25th February.
13. Notice of a meeting of the inhabitants of the parish of Bushey, held for the purpose of taking into consideration a proposal to divert and turn part of a highway (or footway) leading towards Watford.
Resolved that the proposal be agreed to, and that the chairman direct the surveyors to apply to two justices to view the highway above mentioned (see 20). 25th March.
14. Brief, in support of the application of Joseph Chuck, for an order for stopping up, diverting, and turning part of a certain public highway in the parish of Ware called Widbury

Hill Road. The proposed new highway being more commodious to the public in that it is 9 yards shorter, 4ft. wider, not so circuitous or steep, and a straighter and much better line of road (see 5 and 7). 3rd April.

17. Consent of Stewart Marjoribanks and Edward Marjoribanks (being owners of the land) to the diverting and turning part of a certain highway (or foot-way), in the parish of Bushey, and to the making and continuing such new highway through the said land (see 20). 3rd April.
- 17a. Plan referring to above highway.
20. Notice of application for an order for turning, diverting, and stopping up, part of a certain public highway (or footway) in the parish of Bushey, leading towards Watford out of and from the public road which leads from Aldenham to Little Bushey, Bushey Heath, and other places, such part containing in length 1178 yards, and commencing at the north-east corner of a close called Wood Field or Hanging Field, and proceeding in a south-westerly direction across the said close to the west corner thereof, and proceeding thence in a westerly direction along the south side of a copse and wood called Scott's Wood over two closes called Middle Shott and Gravel Pit Field, (which said closes, with others, now form one close or field), and thence over another close (formerly two closes called Scott's Wood Field, and Watford Field), down to and terminating on the west side of the close called Watford Field at a point about 50 yards from the south-west corner of the same close. 29th April.
21. Affidavit by Francis Tallant, of the proof of publication of notices having been fixed by the side of each end of the above public highway, and that the same notices were inserted in the "County Press" for four weeks (see 2360 to 2363). 26th May.
916. Information of Jane Clayton and others concerning Thomas Wadham, charged with uttering and putting off counterfeit coin. 9th October.
984. Information of Edward Robinson and others concerning William Austin Anstee, butcher, of the parish of Chipping Barnet, charged with using false scales. 30th October.

1253. Indictment of James Johnson and John Smith, charged with uttering counterfeit coin; found guilty and sentenced to twelve months imprisonment with hard labour. 3rd April.
1438. Certificate by Robert Hanbury and Frederic William Hamilton, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed part of a public highway, in the parish of Ware, called Widdbury Hill Road, proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned. Also that they have viewed the proposed new highway, which they consider more commodious to the public than the old, it being 9 yards shorter, 4ft. wider, not so steep, and a straighter and much better line of road (see 5). 17th January.
1508. Certificate by Sir Robert Murray and William Parker, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a public carriageway in the parish of Aston, proposed to be entirely stopped up. And they further certify that the said carriageway is unnecessary, because it does not lead to or from any place of public resort, and is not of public utility (see 4 and 12). 25th February.
1515. Certificate. Frank John Moor and James Williams, two justices of the peace, at the request of William Brown, valuer, acting in the matter of the inclosure of Wigginton Common, including Hill Green, in the parish of Wigginton, viewed the several highways lately set out and made within the parish of Wigginton hereinafter described :—
- The Hill Road.*—A certain public carriage-road and highway of the width of 20ft., called the Hill Road, commencing at a point marked A on the map annexed, and extending in a southward direction over "Allsdown" to the point marked "B," and thence in an eastward direction, intersecting the next described road called the Chesham Road at the point marked "D," to, and terminating at Hemp Lane at the point marked "E."
- Chesham Road.*—A public carriage-road and highway, of the width of 30ft., called the Chesham Road, commencing near the Church at the point marked "D," and proceeding in a southward direction over the common, and over old inclosures (numbered 232 and 245 on the map) to, and terminating at the Heath End Road at the point marked "Z."

The Woodrow Road.—A public carriage-road and highway of the width of 25ft., called the Woodrow Road, and leading out of the Chesham Road, at the point marked "L," and proceeding in an eastward direction to the point marked "N."

The said Frank John Moor and James Williams do certify that the severally described highways lately so made, are sufficiently formed and completed, and are in good condition and repair. 6th March.

1638. Certificate by Robert Clutterbuck and Arthur Currie, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a public highway (or footway) in the parish of Bushey, leading towards Watford, proposed to be turned, diverted, and stopped up. Also that they have viewed the proposed new highway which they consider more commodious to the public, in that it is nearer by 37 yards, 1ft., and is a straighter line of road, and will be cleaner in wet weather, and not liable to be disturbed by the ploughing and cultivation of the land through which it passes (see 20 and 21). 28th March.
1761. Certificate by William Stuart and Robert Clutterbuck, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the new highway in the parish of Bushey, commencing at the same spot as the old highway and proceeding in a straight line along the north side of Wood Field or Hanging Field, and thence into the copse called Scott's Wood at the north-east corner, and proceeding through the same wood in a south-westerly direction to a point on the west side of the wood about 7 yards from the south-west corner, and thence in a direct line across the close (formerly two closes) called Scott's Wood Field and Watford Field, and terminating at the same spot as the termination of the old highway. They further certify that the new highway is completed and put into good condition and repair (see No. 1638). 14th October.
1768. Report of the chaplain of the gaol, that during the year there have been 695 convictions, as against 642 in the preceding year.

"Amongst the felonies of a grave character, two prisoners have been committed for the crime of murder, the one tried

and convicted, the other still awaiting her trial. The former is the notorious foreigner, as it is supposed, whose case has excited so much public interest and attention. The conduct of this man, who has maintained an unbroken silence for the last nine months, is so extraordinary as to have led some people to entertain serious doubts as to the sanity of his mind. For myself, I am inclined to think, grounding my opinion mainly on the deliberate purpose and design manifested in his actions, that this strange behaviour is to be traced to the morbid influence of a morose and sullen temper. But be this as it may, I cannot possibly regret, looking at the very doubtful state of his mental and moral condition, that in his case the uttermost rigour of the law was not suffered to take effect." 17th October.

- 1928. Easter Sessions. Accounts for repairs of bridges (not specified) £47 1s. 5d.
- 1998. Michaelmas Sessions. Accounts for repairs of bridges (not specified) £65 17s. 8d.
- 2320. Letter from the surveyor, stating that the bridges requiring general repairs and pointing, are those of Standon, Braughing, Grey's Bridge, New Bridge, the two Chipping Bridges, Buntingford, Cheshunt, Little Berkhamstead, Essendon, and Bayford. The bridge at Standon will in a year or so require considerable repair, but, as it may be sustained for that period, it is proposed to spend as little as possible upon it now. The amount for repairing the 11 bridges mentioned would be £148 0s. 0d. 3rd April.

BUNDLE FOR 1855.

- 4. Application made by the justices of the peace, acting within the petty sessional division of Ware, that the Town Hall at Ware be hired or otherwise provided for the holding of petty sessions within the said division, and that the expenses be paid out of the county rate. 17th February.
- 4a. Notice of application for an order for stopping up, diverting, and turning part of a public highway, being a footway lead-

ing from, and out of the public carriage-road and highway from London Colney to Shenley Hill, Colney Street, and Park Street, such part being of the length of 1883 yards, and of the width of 3ft., situate and lying partly in the parish of Shenley and partly in the parish of St. Stephen; commencing at Shenley Hill at the point where the said footway leaves the first mentioned carriage-road and enters a lane called Love Lane, thence continuing in a winding and circuitous direction, along the lane by the side of the park palings of Porter's, and proceeding along and across the upper or southern side of a close of land, the property of William Joseph Myers, Esq., called Well House Meadow, thence in a westerly direction into and across a certain other close called Home Meadow into a certain occupation road leading from a farm house to certain farm buildings (all being the property of the said W. J. Myers) thence along the said occupation road in a northerly direction, and continuing in a curved line in a westerly direction, and terminating at a point in the said footway opposite the farm buildings, being the point "C" on the plan annexed.

The course proposed for the new footway in lieu of the old, being of the length of about 2073 yards, and of the width of 4ft., situate and lying partly in the parish of St. Stephen and partly in the parish of Shenley, commencing at the point described as the termination of the old footway (at the point "C" on the plan), and proceeding in a straight line into and across the said close of land called Home Meadow in an easterly direction into and across a close of land called Half Hides, thence across the south end corner of a close of woodland, the property of Georgiana Oddie, called Dell Grove, continuing in an easterly direction across Well House Meadow and Hounds Leys, to and into the first mentioned public carriage-road and highway near Shenley Church, at the point "D" on the plan, and thence proceeding along the public carriage-road to the point at Shenley Hill described as the commencement of the old footway.

Also for stopping up as unnecessary two highways, being footways leading from and out of the old footway. One situate and lying wholly in the parish of Shenley, and being

of the length of 1213 yards, commencing in the close of land called Half Hides (at the point "E" on the plan) and proceeding to the eastern side thereof, and continuing along the eastern side into a close called Dell Grove at the north end, and thence crossing the south-east corner of another close of land called Orchard Field into a close of land called Gallon Meadow, and thence continuing in a north-easterly direction to, and terminating at, and in a public carriage-road and highway called Harpur Lane, at the point "F" in the plan.

The other footway situate and lying partly in the parish of Shenley and partly in the parish of St. Stephen, being of the length of 1507 yards, and commencing at a gate leading from and out of the public carriage-road and highway mentioned near Shenley Bury (point "G" on plan), at the south-east corner of a close of land called Little Pond Field, and proceeding in a north-westerly direction into and across the close of land called Dell Field, and into the close of land called Half Hides in a westerly direction, and continuing thence through another close of land called Chalk Dell Field, into and through a close of land called Barn Croft Field, and proceeding across the said field in a westerly direction to and terminating at a stile leading into a close of land, the property of the Rev. John Mason, where the first mentioned old footway from Shenley Hill falls into and forms the remaining part of the last described footway, at the point "H" in the plan.

- 4b. Plan referring to above footways. 16th March.
11. Notice of application for an order for stopping up as unnecessary, a certain public footway situate in the parish of King's Langley, leading from Chipperfield Common to the public road from Chipperfield Common to the town of King's Langley, such footpath commencing at the north-east side of Chipperfield Common, near to the tenement now in the occupation of James Biggerstaff, and proceeding in a northerly direction over and along a private way belonging to and between lands of Robert Blackwell, Esq., and thence proceeding in a north-westwardly direction over and along

the side of a field belonging to the trustees of the will of the late Mr. Healey, and in the occupation of William Lines, to and terminating at a stile and gate leading into the public road from Chipperfield to King's Langley, and containing in length 334 yards, and in width about 3ft. 9th April.

- 11a. Plan referring to above footway.
- 12 & 13. Certificate by various persons named, of the posting of notices by the side of each end of the above public footway proposed to be stopped up, also of the inserting of the same notice in the "Herts Guardian" for four successive weeks (see 1893 to 1896). 31st May.
15. Certificate of the posting of notices by the side of each end of the old footways and new footway (proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up), in the parishes of Shenley and St. Stephen. Also of the inserting of the same notice in "The County Press" for four successive weeks (see Nos. 4a, 1889 to 1892). 5th May.
- 14 & 18. Notice and grounds of appeal against an order for the removal of Thomas Watson, pauper, from the parish of Wigginton to the parish of Napton-on-the-Hill. 15th June.
23. Brief, to move for an order to divert, turn, and stop up part of a footway leading from Shenley to Colney Street, and also to stop up as unnecessary two other footways in the said parishes of Shenley and St. Stephen (see 4a). 2nd July.
27. Certificate by Thomas Smith, county surveyor, that the proper notice having been given him before the erection of a bridge to be called "Water Hall Bridge," in the parish of Little Berkhamstead, he has superintended the erection thereof throughout, and certifies that the same has been properly built, and in a manner to render it repairable for the future by the county. 15th October.
33. Certificate by the Rev. H. J. B. Nicholson and the Rev. W. S. Wade, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the new footway lying in the parishes of Shenley and St. Stephen, and that the same is completed and put into good condition and repair (see No. 15). 14th November.

87. Report by the committee of justices elected by the court, to provide an Asylum for the county of Hertford, and authorized to proceed for that purpose in manner by "The Lunatic Asylums Act, 1853" provided in the case of a county not having an asylum; "that the dissolution of union between the counties of Bedford, Hertford, and Huntingdon, has been completed by the consent of one of Her Majesty's principal secretaries of state, and that they have agreed to unite with the counties of Bedford and Huntingdon for the purpose of the said Act, and an Act passed in the last Sessions of Parliament (18 and 19 Vic., Cap 105), and have entered into and signed an agreement for such union.

The court will have to appoint under this agreement seven justices as the proportion of this county of the committee of visitors to purchase land, and to superintend the building erection and management of the new asylum; and ten justices as the proportion of this county of the committee to superintend the management of the asylum at Bedford. 15th December.

1102. Indictment of John Hamilton and Charles Sheffield, charged with uttering counterfeit coin. Found guilty and sentenced, the former to twelve months imprisonment with hard labour, and the latter to six months with hard labour. 2nd November.
1218. Certificate by John Kinder and Thomas Kinder, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed part of the public carriage-road and highway, running between "Dead Woman Hill," in the parish of Sandridge and the public road and highway running between Elles Green and Hall Heath Cottages, proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, being of the length of 1183 yards and wholly situate in the parish of Sandridge, commencing near the south-western end of a close of land, the property of the Right Hon. Earl Spencer, called "The Eight Acres and Little Bungies," and terminating at the junction of the public road between Elles Green and Hall Heath Cottages, at the eastern end of Elles Green. Also that they have viewed the course proposed for

the new carriageway, being in length 1167 yards, and of the width of 20ft. situate wholly in the parish of Sandridge, commencing near the south-western corner of "The Eight Acres and Little Bungies," and proceeding in a curved line in an easterly direction, across the above close of land and certain other closes, the property of George Robert Marten, and called "Great Bungies," "Little Bungies," or "Nine Acres," "Farms Croft," "Cross Path Field," and "Elles Green Field," and thence continuing in a straight line in a south-easterly direction over and across Elles Green to the point described as the termination of the old highway.

Upon the diversion and turning of the public carriage-road, part of three highways, being footways leading from the said carriageway to the village of Sandridge, would become unnecessary, being of the respective lengths of 388 yards, 242 yards, and 230 yards; two of the footways commencing in a close of land called "The Four Acres," and terminating at their junction with the proposed new carriageway, one in the close of land called "Little Bungies" or "Nine Acres" and the other in the close of land called "Farms Croft." The other footway commencing and terminating in the close of land called "Farms Croft."

They further certify that the new carriage-road is completed and put into good condition and repair. 2nd January.

1267. Report of the treasurer of the returns, fines, and penalties, imposed in the several divisions of magistrates payable in aid of the county rate. 2nd April.
1277. Certificate by the Rev. H. J. B. Nicholson and the Rev. W. S. Wade, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the proposed new footway situate in the parishes of Shenley and St. Stephen, and that it is more commodious to the public than the old, being wider, more secure, and more convenient (see No. 4). 5th May.
1318. Certificate by Edmund Fearnley Whittingstall and F. J. Moore, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a public footway in the parish of King's Langley, leading from Chipperfield Common to King's Langley, and proposed to be stopped up as unnecessary. They further certify that

the said footway is unnecessary as there are no longer dwellings and a population in the neighbourhood requiring it, in consequence of which the footway has fallen into disuse (see No. 11). 31st May.

1892. Report of the chaplain of the gaol, pointing out the "mischievous effects of a practice which now prevails, *i.e.*, the the conditional pardon and liberation of convicted felons by means of letters of licence, or what are more commonly called "Tickets of Leave."

"The working of this system is productive of a daily growing and increasing evil, the demoralising tendency of which threatens to sap the foundations of our best social interests and institutions by letting loose upon the community a torrent of profligacy and depravity, the inevitable consequence of which it is indeed horrible to contemplate. Judging from the respective specimens brought under my notice of those thus manumitted, I can see no limit to the moral corruption and contamination which will be thus brought about, as the individuals to whom I refer were decidedly the most hardened, reckless and thoroughly vicious of the prisoners entrusted to my care, etc." 16th October.

1488. Report of the visiting justices of the gaol, requesting that the cells which were constructed with the means of putting a wall in the middle of each for the purpose of separation should now be divided, as it would be more convenient.
1468. Easter Sessions. Accounts for repairs of bridges not specified £265 2s. 4d.
1491. Michaelmas Sessions. Accounts for repairs of bridges not specified £131 15s. 6d.
1856. Letter from the county surveyor, stating that the only bridges requiring repair, are those of Dane bridge, the Long bridge at Bayford, and one at Poplars Green. The bridge at Dane requires protection from the effects of floods which act upon the foundation. The brickwork and wing walls at Bayford bridge are much shattered and require reconstructing with land ties introduced; the whole of the post and rail

fencing is quite unsafe. The bridge at Poplars Green has been greatly injured by a heavy waggon running against the parapet, which renders it necessary to take down and reconstruct it. The expenses of these repairs are estimated at £96 10s. 0d. 2nd April.

BUNDLE FOR 1856.

2. Notice to the surveyors of the highways of the parish of Harpenden, that the trustees of James Marshall's Charity wish to stop up as unnecessary a certain public highway, being a footway leading from and out of Harpenden Common to a place where formerly stood a parish pound, adjoining the British School, and proceeding in a westwardly direction across the piece of land where the said parish pound formerly stood, and across and by the side of a certain field called Pound Field, the property of the trustees of the James Marshall Charity, and continuing in the same direction over a style into and across a certain other field called Little Cross Path Field, the property of James Bennett Lawes, Esq., and terminating in Cross Path Field in a certain other highway or footway running in a north-eastwardly direction, and leading from the parish of Redbourne in the said county to the village of Harpenden, and to the parish church of Harpenden. 9th February.
3. Notice of the holding of a vestry at Harpenden, to consider the proposal to stop up as unnecessary a highway in the parish of Harpenden (see No. 2). 10th February.
4. Application from the chairman of the meeting held to consider the proposed stopping up of a highway leading from Harpenden Common (see No. 2) to the surveyor of highways, requesting that he will cause two magistrates to view the said highway. 14th February.
- 4a. Application from the surveyors to the justices of the peace, and their certificates that the highway is unnecessary. 14th February.
5. Printed notice of the stopping up of the above highway (see No. 2). 15th February.

7. Certificate of the posting of notices regarding the stopping up of above highway. 10th March.
- 7a. Plan of the above highway.
543. Indictment of William Butts, late of the parish of Hemel Hempstead, for having unlawfully, willingly, and of purpose maliciously and contemptuously, during divine service, come into a certain church belonging to the parish of Hemel Hempstead aforesaid, where a certain congregation of protestants (of which Richard Temple Clerk was then the preacher), were then and there assembled, and having talked in a loud voice, laughed, sworn, and cursed, so as to disturb the congregation. 2nd March.
684. Certificate that two justices of the peace have viewed a highway in the parish of Harpenden, and consider that, as it does not lead to any place of public resort, and is not of public utility, it may be stopped up. 10th March.
685. Certificate from the county surveyor that the Bedwell Lodge bridge between Hertford and Essendon was built of brick in a sound and workmanlike manner, in 1848 under his own superintendence, and is now in good repair. 11th March.
710. Report of the county surveyor, stating that the several bridges requiring repair are those at Walkern, Walton on the Walkern Road, Cowbridge, Wadesmill, Standon, Buntingford, Cheshunt, and Cheshunt Wash; the repairs of the whole will not exceed £50. The surveyor begs to call the attention of the court to the subject of the bridge erected by the railway company at Stortford, and states that the company engaged to have a clause inserted in some Act of Parliament to relieve the county of their liability to repair. The surveyor is of the opinion that the state of portion of the Small Lea (?) bridge, belonging to Essex, is unsafe, and, should any accident occur, the part belonging to Herts would be materially affected. 8th April.
711. Report of the chief constable of Hertfordshire, stating that during the last quarter 489 persons have been apprehended or summoned, of whom 418 have been convicted and punished, or committed for trial. The amount of property

which has been reported to the police as stolen during the quarter is £85, a portion of which has been recovered by the police. The chief constable recommends a superannuation allowance of twenty-six pounds a year for Superintendent Mackay. 8th April.

720. Report of the committee of visitors appointed to superintend the building and erection of a new asylum for the said counties, who state that they entered into negotiations with several persons for the purchase of land, and have selected a portion of an estate belonging to Mrs. Catherine Wilkinson, situate in the parish of Stotfold, in the county of Bedford. This consists of two hundred acres, partly freehold and partly copyhold, and they have obtained it for the sum of £10,900. The committee have likewise purchased of Mr. Joseph King, for the sum of £2890, a small farm of about 56 acres in the parish of Arlesey, in the county of Bedford, lying between the land bought of Mrs. Wilkinson and the road leading from Hitchin to Arlesey, the object being to obtain a ready access to this road, as well as to afford a communication from the Arlesey brick-yard siding connected with the Great Northern Railway. The committee have much pleasure in being able to add that this property, the cost of which will average about £54 per acre, which does not in any respect exceed its fair value, presents every convenience that can possibly be required for the purpose of an asylum—a fine gravelly soil—a proper elevation—a suitable aspect—and a good supply of water.

The conditional contracts for the purchase of the above-mentioned estates have been signed and submitted to the commissioners in lunacy as directed by the 45th section of "The Lunatic Asylum Act, 1853," who have sanctioned the same, and they are now awaiting the approval of Sir George Grey, baronet, one of Her Majesty's principle secretaries of state. The committee have had plans submitted to them by Mr. Hill, medical superintendent of the North and East Ridings Asylum, in conjunction with Mr. George Fowler Jones, of the City of York, architect, of a building affording accommodation for 500 patients, which met with their approval. Upon referring these plans to the commissioners

in lunacy certain alterations were suggested by them in order to bring the arrangements of the buildings into conformity with their printed regulations. These alterations, embracing the raising of the central building to a third story, enlarged the accommodation beyond the amount provided by Mr. Hills' plans, but as the increased accommodation was likely to be obtained at a comparatively small increase of expense, the committee have thought it right to assent to them.

Mr. Hill and Mr. Jones are now preparing the working plans in accordance with their directions, and the committee hope in the course of the summer to advertise for tenders. 5th May, 1856.

757. Certificate from two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a portion of a certain new public carriage-road or highway, called the Cheddington and Long Marston Road, within the hamlet of Long Marston, in the parish of Tring, which said road has been set out by Martin Nockolds, of Saffron Walden, in the county of Essex, and they further certify that the said road is well and sufficiently formed and completed. 19th July.

795. Report of the committee of visitors appointed to superintend the building and erection of a new lunatic asylum for the counties of Bedfordshire, Hertfordshire, and Huntingdonshire, that they have signed orders on the treasurers of the several counties for payment of their respective proportion of £20,000 on account of the new asylum, to Messrs. Barnard and Sons, Bedford Bank, with whom the committee have opened an account, viz.:—

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October 6th.

805. Report of the chaplain of the gaol, stating that the number of prisoners committed within the last year, exclusive of 24

debtors, was 610, which is less by 55 than in the year preceding.

The following are the descriptions of the principal criminal offences and the number of prisoners committed under each heading.

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| Recommitted prisoners | ... | ... | ... | 208 |
| Poachers | ... | ... | ... | 75 |
| For assaults and want of sureties | ... | | | 34 |
| Malicious damage | ... | ... | ... | 20 |
| For Petty Larceny | ... | .. | ... | 50 |
| Under the heads of Vagrancy, Bastardy Cases, Misconduct in the Unions, and Desertion of Families... | ... | ... | ... | 82 |

The total number of female prisoners has been increasing during the past two years.

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| Prisoners committed for Felonies and serious Misdemeanours | ... | ... | 253 |
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13th October.

BUNDLE FOR 1857.

4. Petition from the justices of the peace acting in and for the petty sessional division of Welwyn, requesting that a sufficient room be hired for the holding of petty sessions; and that the expenses attendant be paid out of the county rate.
28th January.
9. Notice of Appeal by the Rev. Thomas Randolph, addressed to Thomas Boyn Mallam, valuer, acting in the matter of the inclosure of certain lands called Westfield Common, Taskfield Common, Southfield Common, Millfield Common, Shelland Common, Bugwood Common, Old Horse Common, and Cook's Corner Common, all situated in the parish of Little Hadham. The appellant gives notice that he intends to appeal at the next quarter sessions against the intended discontinuance and stopping up of certain public roads and footways in the parish of Little Hadham, the following being the grounds of appeal:—
(1 & 2) That the public road commencing at the north-east corner of Westfield Common and proceeding along part of the

east side, thence westwardly and southwardly on its present track across the said common to an ancient lane leading to Westfield Farm, cannot be beneficially discontinued and stopped up, and that the new road set out in lieu thereof is longer and less commodious.

(3) As to the public footway commencing at the south-east corner of the old inclosure called Fordham's field, and proceeding in a westwardly direction across an old inclosure called Barfield and Taskfield Common, to a point at the north-west corner of Taskfield Common, in the high road leading from Hadham-on-Ash to Bishop's Stortford, the discontinuance and stopping up of this footway would impose a longer and more circuitous route upon those persons who are now in the habit of using it.

(4) That the discontinuance and stopping up of the public footway commencing at the north-east corner of Taskfield Common, and proceeding in a southwardly direction across the common over the east side of the old inclosure called Sammy's Croft, and over part of the old inclosure called Ford Mead, to a point in the footpath leading from Hadham Ford to Hadham-on-Ash, would compel all persons passing from Hadham Ford to Little Hadham Church End and Little Hadham Rectory, to travel a longer distance than they have hitherto done, and would cause much inconvenience.

(5) That the stopping up of the footway commencing at the north-west corner of the old inclosure called Fordham's Field, and proceeding in a westwardly direction over part of Taskfield Common to a point in the footway No. 3, would impose a longer and more circuitous route.

(6) That the public footway commencing at the north-east corner of the old inclosure called Back Pasture, and proceeding in its present track over the several inclosures called Back Pasture, Saffron Ground, Lower Valley Field, Upper Valley Field, Upper Hull Field, Staple Field, Short Parker's Hill, New Pasture, Middle Wood Pasture, to a point at the south-east corner of the old inclosure called Westland Pasture, ought not to be stopped up, being much used by persons going from Westland Green and the Lodge Farm to the Church

of Little Hadham, and also by persons travelling from Nash to Standon, and that the discontinuance of such footway would cause a great increase of distance.

(7) That the public footway commencing at the north-east corner of Westfield Common, and proceeding in a south-westwardly direction over the common to a point in the public carriage-road at 122 yards from the north-east corner of an old inclosure called Prior's Field, cannot be beneficially stopped up, as the footway proposed to be substituted for the same is less commodious and longer in distance. 24th April.

11. Notice and statement of grounds of appeal by the London and North-Western Railway Company, against a rate and assessment made by the churchwardens and overseers of the parish of Hemel Hempstead. 11th June.

17 to 21. Notice and grounds of appeal addressed to John Bailey Denton, valuer, acting in the matter of the inclosure of Bennington Open Fields, Little Brookfield, and Leather Field Common, situate in the parishes of Bennington, Aston, and Little Munden, by Samuel Woollatt, against the discontinuance and stopping up of the following roads :—

(1) A certain field-road, carriage, and drifting-way, leading from the turnpike road from Watton to Walkern, passing along the north side of Pophill Field, and thence between the old inclosures numbered 240, 242, and 204 on one side, and 243, 245, and 203 on the other side, on the tithe map of the parish of Bennington, to, and terminating at the highway leading from Ware to Bennington.

(2) A certain field-road, carriage, and driftway, branching from the first described road in the notice (that is to say—leading out of the turnpike road from Watton to Walkern, and passing thence across Great Brook Field, in Bennington, to, and terminating at the road leading from Frogmore to Hook's Lane, at the south and west corner of an old inclosure numbered 392 on the tithe map) and passing by an old inclosure numbered 677 on the said map, thence across Pophill Field, to, and terminating at the old inclosures, numbered 377 and 379.

(3) A certain footway, leading from the highway from

Ware to Bennington, and passing over the old inclosure numbered 263, to Black Pond.

(4) A certain footway, branching out of the second field road in the said notice, and passing along the north side of Pophill Field through the old inclosures numbered 248, 250, and 263, to, and terminating opposite the cottages of Mr. Samuel Woollatt, in the highway from Ware to Bennington.

(5) A certain footway, being a continuation of the second field-road and carriageway, to, and across the river at the bottom of Great Brook Field, and passing thence through Little Brook Field in Aston Parish to Frogmore Lane. All of which said roads are situate in the parishes of Bennington, Aston, and Little Munden.

By the stopping up of the above roads and footways, the lands and premises situate within the said parishes would much deteriorate in value (see 830). 3rd October.

582. Report of the police committee, stating that a proposal has been made by the borough of St. Albans to consolidate their police with that of the county. The committee are of opinion that this proposition should be entertained, and that the police committee be authorized to negotiate and conclude an agreement with the borough of St. Albans, and to settle the terms upon which consolidation shall be effected.

583. Report of the committee of visitors of the lunatic asylum, giving the daily average number of patients maintained during the year as 807, an increase of 13 compared with the preceding year. Additional accommodation has been made for about 20 patients.

Straw-work and lace-making have been introduced; all the tailors' and shoemakers' work is done in the asylum; shops have been constructed, with the bricks of the division walls of the airing courts which have been pulled down, for shoemakers, tailors, tinmen, and carpenters. January.

610. Report by the committee of visitors elected to superintend the building a new lunatic asylum.

That they have purchased of Major Wilkinson, 200 acres

of land, in the parish of Stotford, in the county of Bedford, for £10,908 12s. 5d.

That they have purchased of Mr. Jonah Hing land, lying in the parish of Arlesey, containing 57 acres, for the sum of £2,927. The total sum paid for the purchases of land (including the enfranchisements and £26 for interest on purchase money) amounts to £15,080 11s. 9d.

That the contracts have been submitted to the commissioners in lunacy and approved of.

The committee further report that they have caused a suitable road and footway to be made through the estates purchased, from the village of Arlesey to the intended site of the new asylum, also they have had a tramway constructed, connected by a junction with the Great Northern Railway. The total amount of estimate is £95,000 0s. 0d. 9th March.

646. Certificate by two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a public carriageway, lately made by James Death (land surveyor and valuer, acting in the matter of the inclosure of the waste and commonable lands in the parish of Wormley), and called the Wormley Wharf Road, commencing at the north-east corner of the old inclosure numbered 19, and extending thence in an eastward direction, and terminating at the public wharf situate on the river Lee. They further certify that the same public carriage-road has been well and sufficiently formed and completed. 28th September.
647. Certificate by two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a public carriage-road set out and made by James Death (valuer acting in the matter of the inclosure of the waste and commonable land in the parish of Wormley), commencing near the south corner of a certain old inclosure (numbered 115), and extending thence in a north-westward direction to, and terminating at the north corner of the said inclosure, and called the Wormley Hill Road. They further certify that the road has been well and sufficiently formed and completed. 28th September.
666. Report of the county surveyor, stating that the only bridge requiring particular attention is that at Standon, the

piling and foundations of which must be repaired, the outlay being under £20. The bridge called "Little Lea Bridge," ordered by the court to be rebuilt, has been completed in a satisfactory manner.

- 693. Easter Sessions. Account for repairs of bridges not specified amounting to £245 0s. 0d.
- 703. Appellants costs of appeal against the stoppage of roads under the Bennington inclosure £18 18s. 0d.
- 705. Michaelmas Sessions. Account for repairs of bridges not specified, £118 19s. 5d.

BUNDLE FOR 1858.

- 11. Consent of Joseph Baxendale, of Whetstone, in the county of Middlesex (owner of the closes of land respectively numbered 1 in annexed plan, through which a certain part of a public footway or highway in the parish of Totteridge, leading across the fields from Totteridge to Mays-lane and Chipping Barnet, is intended to be diverted and stopped up), to the making and continuing of a new footway or highway, through and over the said closes of land in the course and in the direction described in the said plan, and therein distinguished and delineated by a red line. 23rd November.
- 12. Certificate of the posting of notices referring to the diverting and stopping up of a certain part of a public footway in the parish of Totteridge. See No. 11.
- 13. Certificate from John McLelland, of Whetstone, surveyor, stating that the proposed new footway in the parish of Totteridge, is nearer, more commodious, and convenient to the public than the old one (see No. 11). 29th November.
- 14. Certificate of the insertion of advertisements, concerning the stopping up of a footpath in the parish of Totteridge (see 11). 29th November.
- 15. Printed notice of above. 29th November.
- 16. Consent of John Hey Puget, of Totteridge, in the county of Hertford, (being the owner of closes of land respectively

numbered 2 in the plan hereunto annexed, through which a certain part of a public footway or highway in the parish of Totteridge, in the county of Hertford, leading across the fields from Totteridge to May's lane and Chipping Barnet, is intended to be diverted and stopped up); to the making and continuing a new footway or highway, through and over the said closes of land, in the course and in the direction described in the said plan, and therein distinguished and delineated by a red line. Plans annexed. 23rd November.

385. Letter from certain justices of the peace to the committee of the Hertfordshire police fund, referring to the case of Charles Chambers, late police-constable, who on account of injuries received while in the execution of his duty at Berkhamstead, in December last, has been rendered unfit to hold his situation, and who has consequently resigned his appointment. He having resided for some years in India, and having, while a soldier there, married a respectable Hindoo-Briton whose health is failing, and whose return to her native land is urgently advised by medical men, and believing that he can best provide for himself and family in that country is anxious to obtain funds which will enable him to go to India. The passage money for himself and family will be £50. His present resources will not do more than provide outfit. March 24th.
387. Letter from the surveyor, stating that the county bridges, with the exception of those at Watton and Standon, are in repair. The great quantity of rain which fell within a short period of time in October last caused the water to accumulate in such vast bodies as to destroy a portion of the bridge at Watton. The force of the water tore up the planking and the foundations at the south-west angle, part of the arch and parapet gave way, and several hundred tons of gravel were forced from the original bed and driven for 50 yards into the field below the bridge, leaving a large hole at least 10ft. deep. There is some difficulty with the foundations in consequence of the numerous and very powerful springs which have to be contended with. From the cause above alluded to the bridge at Standon is completely de-

stroyed, those parts which remain are without foundation, and so shaken as to render repair impossible. There is no alternative but to entirely reconstruct it. The bridge which I propose to erect is one of cast iron, similar in character to that built by the surveyor at Waltham, and as the soil is bog for 11ft. deep it will be the cheapest mode of construction. The cost is estimated at about £1,988. The old bridge was built on piles and planks which are completely decayed, and it is only surprising that it has stood for so many years. April 5th.

395. Report regarding the condition and suitability of the premises now used as a lock-up house for prisoners at Hemel Hempstead, and to call the attention of the court of quarter sessions to the total unfitness of these premises for the purpose in view.

There are three cells, one for women and two for men. Their respective sizes are 7ft. 5in. \times 7ft. 2in., and 7ft. 5in. high; 7ft. 2in. \times 6ft. 9in., and 7ft. 3in. high; 7ft. 0in. \times 5ft. 9in. and 6ft. 10in. high. The ventilation is very imperfect owing to the increased number of prisoners continually under remand; there were at one time recently four prisoners confined in the smallest of these cells for several days, sleeping in a bed 5ft. 9in. long by 2ft. 6in. wide. There is no proper yard in which prisoners can take exercise. The privy is often most offensive. The close proximity of a yard for killing pigs, and of a horse dung heap, vitiates the air. June 23rd.

470. Application for a renewal of licence for James Smith, keeper of the Hadham Palace Lunatic Asylum. List of insane persons at present detained at Hadham Palace Asylum:—*Males*: John Sharp, William Thomas Toke, John Thomas Hopkinson, and Hindley Leigh Philips. *Females*: Christina Cockburn Ross, Hannah Overman, and Caroline Novelli. 8th March, 1858.
474. Request for renewal of licence from the keeper of the Harpenden Lunatic Asylum. June 12th.
475. Resolution that the clerk of the peace be directed to write to the board of directors of the London Life Association, to

enquire whether they will make a further loan of ten thousand pounds to the county of Hertford, and upon what terms. The money will be required at the next Easter Sessions. Undated.

476. Resolution that Mr. Soame be requested to communicate with Mr. Foster for the purpose of obtaining his consent to erecting the bridge at Standon on a more suitable site, and that in the event of his not consenting the surveyor proceed with the erection of the new bridge on the present site, and that the tenders for erecting the same be submitted to the visiting magistrates for their approval. Undated.
- 479, 480, 481, 482. Newspaper advertisements relating to the diverting and stopping up of footpaths.

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BUNDLE FOR 1859.

4. Certificate from two justices of the peace, that they have viewed, on behalf of the British Land Company, Limited, the owners of the land hereinafter described as the Aldenham road, in the parish of Bushey, being of the length of about one hundred and sixty yards, and of the width of thirty-three feet or thereabouts, which road has been set out and dedicated to the use of the public as a public highway of the said parish by the said company to the satisfaction of the surveyors of the highways of the said parish, and that the same has been adjudged by Her Majesty's justices of the peace to be of sufficient utility to the inhabitants of the aforesaid parish of Bushey to warrant its maintenance as a public highway, and that having viewed the said road they declare that the same has been made to their satisfaction, and in a substantial manner, and of the required width. 1st February.
11. Request to the surveyor of highways of Radwell, from Francis Pym, of Radwell House, in the parish of Radwell, in the county of Hertford, proprietor of lands in the said parish, that he will give notice to the churchwardens of the parish to convene or assemble the inhabitants in vestry, to submit to them his wish, to divert or turn part of a certain public

footpath leading from a public highway called the Norton Mill Road, through land in the same parish belonging to him and Thomas Mills, Esq., in the occupation of himself and Edward Smyth, and also of William Gardiner and Allen Flitton, respectively, into the parish and towards the village of Stotfold, in the county of Bedford, in order and to the intent that such inhabitants shall agree to the proposed plan for such substitution or division as shall then be submitted to them. 23rd April, 1859.

12. Request from Francis Pym, asking that the inhabitants of the parish of Norton may be assembled in order to submit to them the proposal to direct or turn into the said parish of Norton, along and over land belonging to him in the occupation of Edward Smyth, part of a certain public footpath in the parish of Radwell. (See No. 11).
13. Resolution that the consent of the inhabitants of Radwell be expressed in favour of diverting or turning part of a certain public footpath in the parish of Radwell into the parish and towards the village of Stotfold, in the county of Bedford, as being more commodious if not nearer than the old one (see Nos. 11, 12). 28th April, 1859.
14. Request to the surveyors of the highways of the parish of Radwell, to apply to two justices of the peace to view the footpath proposed to be turned and diverted from the parish of Radwell into the parish of Stotfold (see Nos. 11, 12, 13). 28th April.
16. Consent of the inhabitants of Norton, to the turning and diverting of the above-mentioned footpath into their parish (see Nos. 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, and 18). 28th April.
19. Consent of Thomas Mills, of Tolmers, M.P., the owner of lands in the parish of Radwell, in the county of Hertford, to the diverting of a certain public footpath, passing over part of a certain field of his called Dagnalls. 30th May.
20. Consent of Francis Pym, of Radwell House, in the county of Hertford, to the diverting of the above footpath (see Nos. 11, 12, 13, 14, 17, 18, and 19). Plan attached.

21. Request from the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Christ in Oxford, being the owners of all the yearly corn rents, issuing and payable in lieu of tithes out of homesteads, gardens, orchards, closes, and other ancient enclosures within the parish of Tring, to the justices of the peace assembled at quarter sessions, to inquire of, and ascertain the average price of good marketable wheat in the market of Mark Lane, for the term of seven years next preceding. Signed by Henry Liddell, dean; E. B. Pusey, canon, and others. 1st June.
34. Certificate from two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the footpath in the parish of Radwell, and that they consider that the proposed diversion thereof, when completed by a new bridge intended to be erected over the Norton Mill Stream, will be more commodious to the public. They order notices to be affixed regarding the said diversion (see also 36, 37, 38, 39, and 41). 30th June.
48. Notice from the surveyors of the parish of Harpenden, that, on the second day of January next, application will be made to Her Majesty's justices of the peace, for an order for stopping up as useless and unnecessary a certain public highway, situate in the parish of Harpenden, leading out of Ashwell Bridge Road towards a certain mill in the hamlet of East Hyde, in the county of Bedford, called Hyde Mill, and commencing at Ashwell Bridge Road, at the north-west corner of a certain close of pasture land belonging to Charles William Packe, Esquire, called Old Sainfoin Close, in the occupation of Joseph Wilmot, and passing in a north-easterly direction between certain closes of the said Charles William Packe, called Upper Shire Field, Middle Shire Field, and Lower Field, lying in the north-west side of the said highway proposed to be stopped up, and the said close called Old Sainfoin Close, and certain other closes of the said Charles William Packe, called Ten Acre Brogdell, and the meadows lying on the south-east side of the said highway, and thence across the Hertford, Luton, and Dunstable Railway, and thence in a northerly direction, between a close of John Shaw Leigh, Esq., called Long Field, and a

close of the said Charles William Packe called the Little Meadow, until it enters the said Hamlet of East Hyde at or near the Hyde Mill, the river Lee forming the boundary line between the said parish of Harpenden, and the said Hamlet of East Hyde, and which said public highway contains in length 825 yards, reserving a footway for the public along the whole of the way. 20th October.

- 48a. Plan shewing part of the Hyde Mill and Cooter's End Lane proposed to be stopped up.
- 56a. Plan of roads in the neighbourhood of Bushey.
- 319. Certificate from two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a proposed new footway or highway of the length of five hundred and twenty-seven yards, commencing at the southern end thereof at a point marked A on the plan annexed, from which said point it is proposed to divert and turn the old public footway or highway from Totteridge to May's Lane and Chipping Barnet, and proceeding thence in a straight line in a north-easterly direction along and over a field belonging to John Hey Puget, to, and parallel with the hedge forming the eastern boundary of such field, belonging, and dividing the same from a field belonging to Joseph Baxendale, and thence further proceeding over and along the western side of a field belonging to the said Joseph Baxendale, where the said proposed new footway or highway again enters and passes over and upon another field belonging to the said John Hey Puget, at the south-west corner of such field, and running in a north-easterly direction across such last-mentioned field, where the said proposed new footway or highway terminates at the north end thereof, at a point marked B on the said plan, by a junction with the old footway or highway from Totteridge to May's lane and Chipping Barnet. And they further certify that the above new highway or footway is completed and put in good condition and repair. 21st March, 1859.
- 320. Certificate from two surveyors of the highways of the parish of Bushey, that the road described as the Aldenham Road,

in the parish of Bushey, has been satisfactorily made in a substantial manner and of the proper width required by law, and is of sufficient utility to justify its being hereafter kept in repair as a public highway, of, and by, and at the expense of the said parish of Bushey. 24th March.

885. Resolutions that the county surveyor be empowered and authorized to procure tenders for the work to be done to the South Mill bridge, Bishop's Stortford, amounting to £158, and to refer the same to the chairman of the finance committee. 15th July.

886. Report of the commissioners for paving and lighting the borough of Hertford, who call the attention of the magistrates to the county bridge called Cowbridge, over the river Beane, situate within the said borough and on the road leading to Bengoe. The roadway of the bridge is very narrow, and the crown of the arch is so high as to cause a considerable ascent and descent in crossing it, and as the traffic has considerably increased of late years in consequence of the large number of houses which have been erected in its neighbourhood, and more recently owing to the terminus of the Hertford and Welwyn Railway having been erected in its immediate vicinity, the dangers and inconveniences of the bridge in its present condition are more generally felt, and complained of.

The commissioners are induced therefore to hope that the magistrates of the county will be pleased to take the present state of the bridge into their immediate consideration, and direct it to be widened and lowered, and such other improvements to be made in it as they may think necessary. The footpaths contiguous to the bridge being now out of repair, the commissioners are anxious for the suggested improvements to be considered before they make any alteration in the pavements. 29th September.

344. Report of the chaplain of the gaol, who states that he has found his way impeded by the ordinary hindrances and stumbling blocks incidental to the pastoral office, arising mainly from the various forms and habits of self-delusion, by means of which men cheat themselves into a too easy

compliance with the solicitations of sin, *e.g.*, one man will tell you that this is the first time he has been charged with an offence against the laws—and his present transgression is evidently less seriously regarded by him than it ought to be in consideration of his previous obedience. Another takes refuge under the more glaring criminality of still greater delinquents, laying the flattering unction of a favourable compassion to his soul and reasoning very much after the fashion of the self-righteous Pharisee of old, “God, I thank thee that I am not as other men are, &c., &c.” Thus, the thief finds abundant self-complacency in reflecting that he is not a murderer, the poacher that he is not a thief (as he will seldom confess himself to be), the habitual drunkard boasts that he is no swearer, the brutal husband that he is a hard working industrious labourer who can always gain employment, and the idle rogue and vagabond who leaves his wife and family to starve, pleads often in extenuation that at any rate he is never guilty of acts of violence towards them. It is in this manner that notorious offenders too frequently try to evade the force of conscience and the animadversions of their spiritual instructors, by imagining how much worse they might be than they really are. The chaplain is of the opinion that the prevailing sin of this age and nation is that of habitual drunkenness, and is of the opinion that the great national bane is the the impure and unholy domestic associations of the sexes, the inevitable results of the defective state of lodging accommodation amongst the great majority of our poor, more especially in the larger towns. 17th October.

847. Certificate from two justices of the peace, that they have viewed a highway in the parish of Harpenden, which is proposed to be stopped up, and that they consider it to be unnecessary (see No. 48). 21st November.
415. Letter from the county surveyor to the magistrates of the county of Hertford, stating that the bridge at Standon has been satisfactorily completed within the amount of the estimate. The bridges requiring repair are those at Bayford, Essendon, Holywell, Woolmers, Hadham Mill, Lems

ford Mills, Welwyn, Roydon, Lockleys, Hatfield, Cowbridge, Roxford, and South Mill. The bridge at South Mill which has a span of 25ft. is built principally of timber with brick abutments, and is unsafe; the planking and timber generally are in a state of decay. The abutments and wing walls require considerable repair, and the woodwork should be replaced by brick and iron. The further repairs and restorations will cost £189. 4th April, 1859.

BUNDLE FOR 1860.

1. Notice of appeal between the Eastern Counties Railway Company and the churchwardens and overseers of the poor of the parish of Great Amwell. 2nd January.
3. Consent of Sir Culling Eardley Eardley, of Bedwell Park, in the county of Hertford, baronet, the owner of certain lands, and of John Robert Walker, the occupier of certain other lands, to the making and continuing of the new bridleway in the village of Essendon. See No. 4. 19th January.
4. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert and turn part of a public bridleway and footway lying in the parish of Essendon, between a public carriageway leading to the church and village of Little Berkhamstead and a public carriageway leading to the church and village of Essendon, which part of the said bridleway so proposed to be diverted and turned commences at a point opposite to the north-west corner of Bedwell Park Farm Homestead, and turns from thence in a north-west direction over a field called Essendon Field, in the occupation of John Robert Walker, as tenant to Sir Culling Eardley Eardley, baronet, and an adjoining plantation of which the said Sir Culling Eardley Eardley is both the owner and occupier, by a course of 509 yards or thereabouts into another public bridleway and footway known as Leonard's Lane leading into the said carriageway to the church and village of Essendon aforesaid; and also for stopping up, as unnecessary, a public footpath in the said parish of Essendon branching out of another part of the said bridleway and footway so

proposed to be diverted and turned, as aforesaid, at a point about 308 yards eastward of the hereinbefore-mentioned point of diversion, and running from thence in a north-west direction in nearly a parallel line with the said proposed new line of bridleway and footway over a field called Trench Burrows, the said field called Essendon Field, and a field called Leonard's Shot, belonging respectively to the said Sir Culling Eardley Eardley, by a course of 489 yards or thereabouts, into the said bridleway and footway known as Leonard's Lane. Plan attached. 20th January.

5. Certificate regarding the posting of notices relating to the above-mentioned diverting of a bridleway and footway. 18th February. See No. 4 and No. 354.
10. Notice, that by the direction and authority of the inclosure commissioners for England and Wales, in the matter of the inclosing the open and common fields of the parish of Ashwell, in the county of Hertford, John Bailey Denton, of Stevenage, does hereby give notice that part of a certain public carriage-road known as the "Ashwell Street Way," commencing at the lane leading to Partridge Way, at the north-west angle of the allotment to Thomas Chapman, numbered 254, and proceeding in an easterly direction along the north side of the said allotment to the south-west corner of an old inclosure numbered 282, now or late belonging to Elizabeth Heath; and a certain public carriage-road known as Partridge Balk commencing at the southernmost corner of an old inclosure called Chapman's Plantation, and proceeding in a westwardly direction to the north-west corner of an old inclosure called "The Nine Acres," and a certain other public carriage-road commencing at the south-east corner of the old inclosure called "The Six Acres," and proceeding in a northwardly direction to the southernmost corner of the said old inclosure called Chapman's Plantation, are intended to be stopped up and discontinued. 5th August.
345. Report of the chief constable with a return of the distribution of the county constabulary. January 2nd.
355. A similar report. Undated.

- 360. Report of the committee of justices appointed to superintend the building and erection of a new lunatic asylum for the said county. 30th March.
- 362. Certificate of the conviction of Mary Ann Williams, late of the parish of Chelmsford, labourer (*sic*), for feloniously stealing a coat. 31st March.
- 370. Certificate of the completion of the new highway in the parish of Essendon, over the lands of Sir Culling Eardley Eardley. See also Nos. 3, 4, and 354. 5th May.
- 479. Letter to Lord Salisbury calling attention to the fact that the barrack accommodation granted by the county to the staff of the Hertfordshire Militia is quite inadequate to the present establishment of the regiment, and stating that in 1852-3 the permanent staff of the regiment consisted of only 16 non-commissioned officers, for which number the county provided quarters, but in 1854 the Government added to this number—1 Sergeant-Major, 19 Master-Sergeants, and 1 Pay-Master-Sergeant, and on the 17th September, 1859, a further increase of 1 Orderly-room Clerk, 1 Hospital Sergeant, 1 Drum-Major, and 1 Sergeant-Instructor of Musketry, making a total of 23 non-commissioned officers, so that there is a deficiency of barrack accommodation for seven sergeants. 29th June.

BUNDLE FOR 1861.

- 4. Application from the justices of the peace for the Division of Dacorum, asking the court to direct that the Town Hall at Berkhamstead St. Peter be hired for the use of the holding of the petty sessions of the peace within the petty sessional division aforesaid at Berkhamstead St. Peter, and that the sum of £12, which it is ascertained to be the expense thereof, may be annually paid out of the rates of the county. 16th April.
- 5. Notice of an application to be made for an order for stopping up as unnecessary part of a certain public highway, that is to say, a footway in the said parish of Bushey, leading

towards Watford, out of and from the Sparrows Herne Turnpike Road at a point between the towns of Watford and Bushey, opposite the brick-kiln or brick-yard, in the occupation of Charles Blackwell, adjoining the said turnpike-road; such part of the said footway intended to be stopped up being situate wholly in the said parish of Bushey, and commencing at the point where the same joins the said turnpike road at the south-east corner of a certain close, called Crook Log Field, and proceeding in a north-westerly direction across the said Close to the north-west side thereof, and thence continuing in a north-westerly direction across and over two closes (now with another, forming one field) respectively called Crab Tree Field and West Moor Field to the north corner of the last-mentioned field, into the public road leading from Chalk Hill to Bushey Grove and Aldenham, at a point 85 yards or thereabouts west of the farmyard gates belonging to Body's Farm, otherwise Bushey Grove Farm, in the parish of Bushey, and thence continuing directly across the last-mentioned public road, and out on the north-west side thereof at a point opposite the aforesaid north corner of the said West Moor Field, and proceeding in a westerly direction over and across two closes, called Pond Field and Gravel Pit Field, in the said parish of Bushey, down to and terminating at the eastern boundary fence of the London and North-Western Railway, on the west side of the said Close called Gravel Pit Field, at a point about four yards from the north corner of the same Close. 17th April.

6. Certificates of two justices of the peace, stating that on the application of the surveyors they have viewed the above described road, and have ordered notices to be affixed regarding the diversion of it. See No. 5. Plan attached. 21st May.
7. Certificate regarding the posting of notices with reference to the stopping up of highway above mentioned. See Nos. 5, 6. 21st May.
10. Report stating that the average price of a Winchester bushel of good marketable wheat is 6s. 6d. Midsummer Sessions.

13. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert, turn, and stop up a certain part of a public highway called The Hyde Farm Lane, situate in the parish of Abbots Langley, leading from Nash Mills by the Hyde Farm towards Bedmont, all in the said parish of Abbots Langley. Such part commencing at a spot where a new road diverging from the said highway has been recently made and proceeding in an easterly direction for 755 yards or thereabouts, being altogether a distance of 887 yards and being of different widths, varying from 6 feet to 20 feet or thereabouts (reserving nevertheless to the owners and occupiers of the lands lying on the eastern side of that part of the said highway which lies between the said corner and the pond a private right of way over and along that same part as heretofore).

The course proposed for the new highway in lieu of the said part of the said public highway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up as aforesaid, commencing at the spot hereinbefore described as the commencement of the above described part of the same public highway, and proceeding in a south-easterly direction along the line of the said new road recently made as aforesaid, and thence in an easterly direction along the line of the cartway set out and used along the southern side of the hedge of certain fields there belonging to John Dickinson, Esquire, to the spot hereinbefore described as the termination of the said part of the said public highway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up as aforesaid; such proposed new highway being altogether of the length of 764 yards or thereabouts and of the width of 15 feet or thereabouts. And that the certificates of two justices having viewed the same, with a plan of the said old highway and of the proposed new highway, will be lodged with the clerk of the peace for the said county. 30th November. See also No. 589.

14. Consent of the Right Honourable Sarah, Baroness Braye, to the diverting and turning of part of a public bridleway in the parish of Little Berkhamstead. 10th October. See Nos. 14 and 24.

20. Printed notice of the diversion of a bridleway in the parish of Little Berkhamstead. See Nos. 14 and 24. 26th October.
21. Consent of John Dickinson to the diversion of a road in the parish of Abbots Langley. See No. 13. 27th September.
24. Certificates regarding the posting of notices referring to the diversion of highways in the parishes of Little Berkhamstead and Hertingfordbury. 25th November. See No. 14.
520. Report at length relating to the management of the Three Counties Asylum. 16th December.
526. Report at considerable length of the committee of visitors elected to superintend the building and erection of a new asylum for pauper lunatics for the counties of Bedford, Hertford, and Huntingdon. 24th December.
537. Report of the chief constable stating that the amount of property reported to the police as stolen during the quarter is £81. 8th April.
542. Recommendation by the police committee of a police rate of five farthings in the pound for the ensuing half-year. Easter Sessions.
551. Report of the arbitrators concerning the Kelshall tithes. Midsummer Sessions.
566. Report of the surveyor, stating that the repairs to the Shire Hall will cost £750—£800, referred to the finance committee. Midsummer.
580. Report of the chaplain stating that he considers that the results of the education system are highly satisfactory. The number of prisoners admitted is 640, in contradistinction to 539 for the year 1860. The proportion of recommitted prisoners amounts to 33 per cent., corresponding as nearly as possible with the last two years. The relative proportions of male and female prisoners is $85\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. for males and $14\frac{1}{2}$ for females. The chaplain reports that among those prisoners whom he examined as many as $12\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. had no familiar acquaintance with the alphabetical letters, 9 per cent. were unable to say the Lord's Prayer correctly, and 15 per cent. had no distinct knowledge of a Saviour.
14th October.

582. Petition of magistrates for the county of Chester, deploring that "many persons live in constant violation of the laws, spending their time in idleness and dissipation, illegally trespassing in pursuit of game, frequently going out in considerable numbers armed for the destruction of game and rabbits, thereby occasioning much danger to the lives and persons of Her Majesty's subjects, and tending to their own ruin and to that of their families." The justices consider that the present laws are totally insufficient for putting an end to so great an evil, particularly as such offenders cannot be legally apprehended and taken into custody when they are returning from the places where they have committed such trespass and offence, though at the time in possession of game, rabbits or fish, the result of these depredations, and in consequence whereof such offenders are induced to continue their ill habits and practices.
595. Recommendation by the visiting justices of the gaol that the thanks of the court be given to Abel Smith, Esq., M.P., for his present of an organ which has been received. Dec. 30th.
689. Letter from the surveyor stating that the county bridges generally are in good repair; those at Berkhamstead, Bayford, Stanboro', Welwyn, Lockleys, Cheshunt, Harlow, Wadesmill, and Dane Bridge, require some trifling repairs and paint, but the whole will not exceed £70. The bridge called Cowbridge (Hertford) has been finished within the amount granted by the court, and the surveyor may with confidence refer to those magistrates who have examined it for their favourable opinion of its construction. The Shire Hall has not been repaired to any considerable extent for 17 or 18 years, and is now in such a state that it requires a general repair and painting. The cost is estimated at £750, including ventilating the Council Chamber. These dilapidations have been caused by the constant use of the hall for almost every purpose, but, now that there is a new Corn Exchange in Hertford, it will not be necessary to use the room so frequently as hitherto. The removal of stools, forms, and other furniture to the Corn Exchange has caused not only injury

to the walls but deterioration to the articles themselves.
April 8th

695. Request from the surveyor for an order to repair the roof and lead gutters of the Court House at Hertford previous to the winter. 14th October.

BUNDLE FOR 1862.

1. Notice of an application to be made for an order to turn, divert, and stop up a certain part of a public highway and footway leading from Bushey by Merry Hill to and into Oxhey Lane, in the parish of Watford, such part being of the length of 280 yards, and of the mean width of three feet, and commencing at the point A on the plan hereinafter mentioned, where the said highway and footway leaves the public carriage-road at Merry Hill and enters into a farm-yard there, the property of Isabella Margaret Gibbs, widow, and in the occupation of Bruce Johnson, and proceeding through a part of the said farm-yard, and by the west side of the rick-yard there, across a certain private road or carriage-drive leading to Merry Hill House, the property and residence of the said Isabella Margaret Gibbs, and then continuing in a southerly direction down a certain private occupation road, also belonging to the said Isabella Margaret Gibbs and in the occupation of Bruce Johnson.

The course proposed for the new highway and footway in lieu of the aforesaid part of the said old highway and footway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up as aforesaid, being of the length of 272 yards and of the mean width of three feet, and wholly situate within the said parish of Bushey and commencing at a point immediately adjoining the said public carriage-road at Merry Hill on the west side thereof, and proceeding obliquely in a south-western direction across a close of land called the Upper Park, the property of Isabella Margaret Gibbs, and in the occupation of the said Bruce Johnson, and continuing thence into and across the said occupation road hereinbefore mentioned to the point B, described as the termination of such part of the said old highway and footway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up. 24th May.

2. Certificate (after an order that a certain public bridleway and footway leading out of the public carriageway, between Essendon and Hertford, at a point in the parish of Little Berkhamstead opposite or nearly opposite to Bedwell Park, into a public carriageway at Letty Green, in the parish of Hertingfordbury, should, as to such part thereof as extends from the said carriageway between Essendon and Hertford to a point in the said bridleway and footway 200 yards from its entrance into the said carriageway at Letty Green, be diverted and turned) stating that the new bridleway and footway has been made and completed, commencing at the said carriageway between Essendon and Hertford at a point fifteen yards westward of the commencement of the said old bridleway and footway, and extending from such point in a northward direction over a close called Stamford Mead, in the parish of Essendon, of which William Herbert Woodhouse, Esquire, is the owner and the occupier, and then in a like direction over a close called Flag Mead, in the parish of Bishop's Hatfield, of which the Right Honorable Sarah Baroness Braye (lately deceased), was lately the owner, and Henry Swannell is the occupier, and then in a like direction over a close called Rye Field, partly in the parish of Bishop's Hatfield and partly in the parish of Hertingfordbury, of which the said Sarah, late Baroness Braye, was lately the owner and the said Henry Swannell is the occupier, over three closes of land in the parish of Hertingfordbury, called respectively Little Sandy Lawn and Splashcrofts, and terminating at the said point in the said old bridleway, 200 yards from its entrance into the said carriageway at Letty Green. 4th April.
4. Consent of Isabella Margaret Gibbs, of Merry Hill, in the parish of Bushey, to the making and continuing of a new public highway leading from Bushey to Oxhey Lane. Plan attached. 15th April.
15. Certificate of the completion of the new carriage-road from Letty Green to Essendon road. Plan attached. 13th December.
286. Certificate of the completion of the new highway in the parish of Abbots Langley. 22nd March.

290. Certificate from two justices that they have viewed a highway leading from Bushey to Watford, proposed to be diverted and turned, and that they consider the new proposed highway will be more convenient to the public. 22nd April.
301. Certificate from the surveyor stating that the bridge recently erected over the River Lea, in the line of the new road, lately made between Cole Green and the Essendon road, near Bedwell Park, is properly and substantially constructed 30th June.
307. Recommendation by the finance committee that the Shire Hall should be used only for meetings relating to county matters, meetings of the corporation of the Borough of Hertford, and of the commissioners of the land and assessed taxes, and county court proceedings on the present terms, and of the Hertford Poor Law Union; and that the use of the building shall be allowed for the following purposes on five magistrates giving a written authority to ratepayers applying for the same, and who shall sign an undertaking to pay all expenses of warming, lighting, and cleaning the rooms and passages so occupied, and make good all damage that may result. viz., meetings for religious or literary purposes, and meetings of a similar character, and county, town, and archery balls, and concerts. The lower room to be used by the manageress of the savings' bank, and commissioners for paving and lighting the town. Midsummer Sessions.
319. Lengthy report of the chaplain of the gaol, reviewing the events of the past year.
328. Lengthy report of the justices visiting the Three Counties Asylum. 15th December.
386. Letter from the surveyor reporting that with the exception of Moor Bridge, Watton, and that at Walkern, the other bridges belonging to the county are in general good repair. They will require a little pointing after the winter season, and this and the repairs to the above-named bridges, he estimates at £56. The surveyor recommends that the repairing of the Shire Hall shall be proceeded with. 7th April.

389. Letter from the surveyor stating that "Cowbridge, lately erected by the county has been interfered with by the contractor for the new waterworks by crossing the bridge 20 inches below the soffit of the arched ribs; the effect of this is self-evident and needs no comment from me. When the bridge was reconstructed a capacious waterway was considered a *sine quâ non*, and I gave all but no more than in my judgment I deemed necessary. In consequence of this improvement the New River Company very kindly gave us a piece of land to enable me to effect a still further improvement." October 1st.

BUNDLE FOR 1863.

4. Request from Unwin Heathcote to the surveyors of highways of the parish of Shephall to call a meeting of the inhabitants in vestry, and to submit to them the wish to divert and turn a certain public footway leading from and out of the village street of Shephall, at the north end of the green, into and over old inclosures belonging to the said Unwin Heathcote and Sir E. Bulwer Lytton, into the public highway leading from Aston to Broadwater.

And also a certain other public footpath leading from and out of the said street at the south end of the green into and over certain closes to a gateway between the closes numbered 42 and 43 on the tithe map of the said parish, and also to stop up certain other public footpaths (not specified) as unnecessary. 20th March.

5. Notice of Catherine Mellish—addressed to the surveyors of the parish of Braughing—declaring her intention of making a certain highway in the said parish, commencing at a point in the south-east corner of a close called Middle Gray's Field, and thence proceeding in a north-westwardly and westwardly direction over parts of the several closes called Middle Gray's Field and Hither Gray's Field and Great Sheeplands to the east end of a bridge lately erected over the Ware, Hadham, and Buntingford Railway, and thence proceeding in a westwardly direction across the said bridge,

and over other parts of the close called Great Sheepland's, to the Turnpike Road, which leads from Puckeridge to Buntingford, at a point opposite to the entrance to Coles Park. 27th March.

5a. Plan referring to above highway.

6 to 8. Resolution expressed at a vestry held in the parish of Shephall in favour of diverting certain footpaths described, also to stop up certain other footpaths as unnecessary. See 4. 30th March.

10. Consent of Sir E. Bulwer Lytton and Unwin Heathcote to the diverting of certain public footpaths passing through and over their lands. 8th April.

12. Notice of application for an order for turning, diverting, and stopping up certain public footpaths in the parish of Shephall

To divert a public footpath of the length of 1579 yards, leading out of the village street of Shephall opposite the green at north end between two inclosures being a rick-yard and garden, thence into and over an old inclosure called Leaves Pasture, into and over two old inclosures called Top Parker's Field and Lower Parker's Field, into and over three old inclosures called Further Home Field, Parishes Mead, and Footpath Field into the public high road leading from Shephall to Broadwater. By turning the above footpath from its course at the north corner of the said inclosure (numbered 211) along the north-west side into, and for about 75 yards along the south-west side of a piece of open field land in Hayley Common, thence into and over the inclosure numbered 202, over an inclosure called Lower Home Field, and those numbered 196 and 197, to the north-west corner of the last-mentioned inclosure, where it is proposed that the new footpath shall enter the public highway nearer to Broadway than the first described footway.

Also to divert part of a public footpath leading from Aston to Shephall, proceeding from a stile on the east side of an old inclosure (numbered 42) called Upper Church Field, into and over another inclosure called Little Bury

Mead, to a stile dividing the same from the village green at the south end, by turning the said footpath from the stile, across and over the inclosure (No. 42) to a gate opening into the public highway leading from Half Hyde Farm into the village street.

Also to stop up as unnecessary a certain public footpath which enters from the village street at the south end of the green, and passes through the farm-yard of a homestead called Green Farm, into and over two old inclosures called Home Close and Round Mead, and across a piece of ground, being part of the Rectory Glebe, to the south corner of the old inclosure (No. 211) where the same falls into the present track of the footpath first described.

And also to stop up as unnecessary the said present footpaths firstly and secondly described, and intended to be diverted so far as the same shall be diverted under the order to be applied for. See 17. 27th May.

- 12a. Plan referring to above highways and footpaths.
13. Certificate by two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the above-described footpaths proposed to be diverted and turned, and found them nearer and more commodious to the public. Also that the footpaths proposed to be stopped up will be entirely unnecessary. 8th April.
16. Notice of application for an order for stopping up certain portions of the public road called "The Buntingford Road," which leads from the village of Braughing into the Buntingford Turnpike Road near the entrance to Coles Park, *i.e.*, a certain portion of the public road commencing at a point in the same carriageway opposite to the north-west corner of an allotment of arable land formerly part of Larksfield Common (now the property of Mr. James Mason), and thence proceeding in a westwardly and south-westwardly direction to a point in the same carriageway opposite to the north-east corner of a close called "The Saffron Ground," being of the length 136 yards, and situate in the parish of Braughing.

Also another portion, commencing at the aforesaid point opposite to the north-east corner of "The Saffron Ground,"

and thence proceeding in a westwardly and a northwardly direction to a point opposite to the south-east corner of a close called "Calvery Orchard," being of the length of 385 yards, and situate in the parish of Braughing and of Westmill.

Also another portion of the same carriageway commencing at the point opposite the south-east corner of "Calvery Orchard," and thence proceeding in a north-eastwardly, northwardly, and north-westwardly direction, to its junction with the Buntingford Turnpike Road, at a point opposite the north-west corner of a close called "Nuttings Mead and Home Meadow," being of the length of 953 yards, and situate in the parish of Braughing.

Also for stopping up a certain portion of the public road, called "The Hull Road," which leads from the High Street into the Buntingford road at a place called Westmill Hull, commencing at a point situate at a distance of about 33 yards to the westward of the south-east corner of a close called "Middle Gray's Field," and thence proceeding in a westwardly and south-westwardly direction to its junction with the Buntingford road at a point opposite to the southern extremity of a close called "Hither Gray's Field," being of the length of 361 yards, and situate in the parish of Braughing. See 18. 29th April.

16a. Plan referring to above carriage-road.

17. Certificate by the surveyors of the posting of notices by the side and at each end of the footpaths in the parish of Shephall proposed to be diverted and stopped up. Also that the same notice was inserted in the "Herts. Guardian" for four successive weeks. See 619 to 622, and 12. 22nd May.
18. Certificate of the posting of notices by the side and at each end of those portions of the public road called "The Buntingford Road," situate in the parishes of Buntingford and Westmill and proposed to be stopped up. Also that the same notice was inserted in the "Hertford Mercury" for four successive weeks. See 623 to 626, and 16. 30th May.

26. Certificate by two justices of the peace that John Merritt Shugar, of Tring, clerk to the local board for the district of Tring, constituted under "The Local Government Act, 1858," being the surveyor of highways of that part of the parish of Tring in the said division comprising the upper hamlet of the said parish, did inform them that there was a certain common highway leading from and out of the road from Tringhoe and Pitstone to Tring, into a certain other road leading from the Tring Railway Station at Pendley into the village of Aldbury, and that a certain part of the said highway, *i.e.*, so much as lies between a place called "The Folly Farm" (at a point marked "A" on the plan), and a place called "The Three Score Acres Lane" (marked B) of the length of 79 chains, lying in the parish of Tring, ought to be repaired by the local board of Tring, and the other side of the same part of the said highway adjoining, and in, the parish of Aldbury, ought to be repaired by the said parish of Aldbury.
- 26a. Order that the above highway should be divided in the following manner:—At a distance of 40 chains from the "Jolly Farmer" stones or posts should be erected on each side of the highway and marked "Tring;" and that part of the highway from the "Jolly Farmer" to the said posts shall be repaired by the upper hamlet of the parish of Tring, represented by the local board of Tring, and that the whole of the highway from such posts to the end of the said highway at the point called "Three Score Acres Lane," of the length of about 39 chains, shall be repaired by the parish of Aldbury. 9th September.
- 26b. Plan referring to above highway.
38. Consent of Humphrey Herne, Edward Marjoribanks and E. Marjoribanks to the diverting and turning of a certain highway in the parish of Bushey. Such highway lying between Chalk Hill and Bushey Grange, Bushey Mill, Little Bushey, and Aldenham. The first part commencing at a spot adjoining the south-east corner of a close called Woolmerdines, and at which the road known as the ancient or narrow lane leading to Bushey Meadows runs out of the same old high-

way, and terminating at a point adjoining the north corner of a close called Lower Waddle, where the highway diverges into two highways, the one leading to Bushey Mill and the other to Little Bushey; and the second part commencing at a spot where the same adjoins and runs out of the first mentioned part opposite the Lodge to Bushey Grove, and proceeding in a south-easterly direction about 257 yards towards, and terminating at, Bushey Grange. 19th December.

39. Further consent of the above persons to the diverting and turning of a footway lying between Bushey Meadows and Little Bushey, commencing at the south-west corner of a close called Great Woolmerdines in the parish of Bushey, about 71 yards distant from the boundary fence of the London and North-Western Railway, and terminating at a point about 51 yards short of the stile on the north-east side of a close called Ten Acres, at which a continuation of the said footway leaves the same close. Also to the making and continuing the new highway through the said lands. 19th December.
472. Report of the county surveyor stating that the bridges are in good repair, with the exception of a few trifling repairs and some painting required, the cost of which will not exceed £87. 6th April.
480. Certificate by two justices of the peace that they have viewed the proposed new footpaths in the parish of Shephall, which will, when completed, be 40 yards nearer, and also be more commodious to the public, being straighter and more direct than the old footpaths. 22nd May. See No. 12.
481. Certificate by two justices of the peace that they have viewed the portions of the public carriage-road, called "The Buntingford Road" proposed to be stopped up, and that the same are unnecessary and can be wholly stopped up, as the public can travel more conveniently along and over a certain portion of the Turnpike Road leading from the village of Braughing to High Street, etc. 30th May.
484. Certificate by two justices of the peace, that they have

viewed a carriageway lately made by Catherine Mellish, in the parish of Braughing, and that the same has been made in a substantial manner and of the width required. See 5. 27th June.

501. Report of the governor of the goal giving the total committals for the year as 813, an increase of over 100 on the preceding year.
503. Regulations of the county prison. Male prisoners sentenced to hard labour (except those who are exempted on medical grounds) work out their sentences on the treadwheel or crank, in shed ; but prisoners of long sentences, exceeding 6 months, not being of the class of habitual criminals, are, after being a time on the treadwheel or crank, employed at making mats, or making and repairing prison clothing, whitewashing, cooking, cleaning yards, etc. The profits by prisoners' work is equal to about £100 a year.

The hours for working on wheels and cranks are from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. in summer, and from daybreak to dusk in the winter, the time from dusk until 6 o'clock being filled up by picking oakum or other work in cells. Supper is served at 6 ; lights in cells allowed till 7. Prisoners who work on wheel or crank may go to bed when they have had supper, others may not go till 7 o'clock.

Prisoners selected by the chaplain receive instruction from the schoolmaster in the schoolroom in the daytime, and are taken from the wheels and cranks and other work for that purpose.

504. Routine of labour and rest of a day of 24 hours :—

| Time. | How employed. | Work hours. | Rest hours. | Total hours. |
|---|----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 6 a.m. to 6½ a.m. | Prayer, washing, dressing | | ½ | ½ |
| 6½ „ to 8 „ | Wheel or crank and work in cells | 1½ | | 1½ |
| 8 „ to 8½ „ | Breakfast | | ½ | ½ |
| 8½ „ to 12—3½ hours, less chapel ½—3 hours | Wheel or crank and work in cells | 3 | | 3 |
| 12 noon to 1 p.m. | Dinner Chapel | | 1 ½ | 1 ½ |
| 1 p.m. to 6 p.m., 5 hours, less school ½—4½ hours | Wheel or crank and work in cells | 4½ | | 4½ |
| „ „ | School | | ½ | ½ |
| 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. | Supper, read and prepare for bed | | 1 | 1 |
| 7 „ to 6 a.m. | Bed | | 11 | 11 |

This table relates to the six summer months.

- 507a. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum that the total number of patients during the year was 513, as against 486 in the preceding year. 31st December.
514. Easter Sessions. Accounts for repairs of bridges, not specified, amounting to £139 9s.
520. Michaelmas Sessions. Accounts for repairs of bridges, not specified, amounting to £174 17s. 4d.

BUNDLE FOR 1864.

2. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert, turn and stop up certain parts of an old highway in the parish of Bushey, leading from Chalk Hill to Bushey Grange, Bushey Mill, Little Bushey, and Aldenham, and commencing at the spot marked E on the plan hereinafter mentioned, where the said highway adjoins the south-east corner of a certain close called Great Woolmerdines, the property of

Edward Marjoribanks, Esquire, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, or one of them, and is in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, and which road, known as the Ancient or Narrow Lane leading to Bushey Meadow, runs out of the same old highway, and proceeds in a northerly direction to and by the side of the garden, plantation, and premises belonging to Bushey Grove, and terminates at a point marked F on the said plan adjoining the northern corner of a certain close called Lower Waddle, the property of Humphrey Harper Burchell Herne, Esq., in the occupation of Henry Squire, where the said highway divides into two highways, one leading to Bushey Mill and the other to Little Bushey, and the second or other of such parts, containing in length 257 yards or thereabouts and being of width varying from 13 feet to 24 feet, leads from Bushey Grove to Bushey Grange and the village of Bushey, and commences at a spot marked G on the said plan where the same adjoins and runs out of the said first-mentioned part, opposite the Lodge and front entrance to Bushey Grove aforesaid, and proceeds in a south-easterly direction about 257 yards towards Bushey Grange aforesaid to, and terminates at the end of the said 257 yards at a point marked C on the said plan, where the proposed new highway, hereinafter mentioned, crosses the same.

The course proposed for the new highway, in lieu of the aforesaid parts of the said old highway, being of the length of 1,263 yards or thereabouts, and of the uniform width of 30 feet, commences at the spot marked E on the said plan, herein described as the commencement of such part of said old highway, and proceeds in a north-easterly direction into, over, and across two closes called Sparlings and the Front Park, in the said parish of Bushey, the property of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, or one of them, and in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, into the said public road or highway leading from Bushey Grove to Bushey Grange and the village of Bushey, at a point about 257 yards from the spot where the same highway runs out of and adjoins

the aforesaid first-described part of such old highway, and thence to continue exactly opposite out of the said public road or highway leading from Bushey Grove to Bushey Grange and the village of Bushey in a north-eastwardly direction into, over, and across three several closes respectively called Ten Acres, Broad Field, otherwise Four Acres, and Rye Hills, the property of the said Humphrey Harper Burchell Herne, in the occupation of Henry Squire, to and terminating on the north-east side of the said close called Rye Hills at a point marked D on the said plan where the same close adjoins the said public highway leading to Little Bushey, exactly opposite the end of a lane called "Harts Spring Lane" leading to Aldenham, and 523 yards and 2 feet south-east of the spot marked F as aforesaid on the said plan herein described as the termination of such first part of such old highway. 14th January, 1864. Plans attached. See No. 357.

3. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert, turn, and stop up certain parts of a highway, that is to say a footway, in the parish of Bushey, leading from Watford towards Little Bushey, out of a certain road known as the Ancient or Narrow Lane, which leads from Bushey Meadows into the public road or highway leading from Chalk Hill to Bushey Mill, Little Bushey, and Aldenham, being of the length of 1383 yards, and of the width of three feet, commencing at the south-west corner of a certain close called Great Woolmerdines, the property of Edward Marjoribanks, Esquire, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, Esquire, the younger, or one of them, and in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, at a point marked A on the plan hereinafter-mentioned, distant about 71 yards from the boundary fence of the London and North-Western Railway, and proceeding in an easterly direction across the said close to the east side thereof, and into the said public road or highway, leading from Chalk Hill to Bushey Mill, Little Bushey, and Aldenham, aforesaid, at the spot where a watercourse or gully runs out of the same road into the said close, and thence continuing along the said last-mentioned public road or highway, in a north-easterly direction

to the west corner or angle of a close called Spring Croft, the property of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, or one of them, and in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, at a point opposite the lodge and front entrance to Bushey Grove in the said parish of Bushey, and proceeding in an easterly direction into and across the same close to the south-east side thereof, and thence between two small plantations, the property of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, or one of them, and in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, at a point opposite the lodge and front entrance to Bushey Grove, in the said parish of Bushey, and proceeding in an easterly direction, into and across the same close to the south-east side thereof, and thence between two small plantations, the property of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, or one of them, and in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, in an easterly direction, into and across part of the close called Ten Acres, the property of Humphrey Harper Burchell Herne, Esquire, in the occupation of Henry Squire, to, and terminating at, a point marked B on the said plan, about 51 yards and a half short of the stile, on the north-east side of the last-mentioned close, at which a continuation of the said footway leaves the same close.

The course proposed for the new highway and footway in lieu of the aforesaid part of the said old highway and footway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up as aforesaid, being of the length of 1462 yards and of widths varying from 12 ft. to 30 ft., and also wholly situate within the said parish of Bushey, to commence at the spot marked A on the said plan, herein described as the commencement of such part of such old highway leading from Chalk Hill to Bushey Mill, Little Bushey, and Aldenham, and thence continue out of the said last-mentioned public road or highway, on the south-east side thereof, at a point opposite the end of the aforesaid road known as the Ancient or Narrow Lane, and proceeding in a north-easterly direction into and across two closes, called

Sparlings and the Front Park, in the said parish of Bushey, the property of the said Edward Marjoribanks, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, into a public road or highway leading from Bushey Grove to Bushey Grange and the village of Bushey, at a point about 257 yards from the spot where the same runs into and adjoins the aforesaid public road or highway leading from Chalk Hill to Bushey Mill, Little Bushey, and Aldenham, and thence continuing exactly opposite out of the said public road or highway, leading from Bushey Grove to Bushey Grange and the village of Bushey, in a north-easterly direction into, over, and across the termination of such part of such old highway and footway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up. 4th January. See Nos. 359, 395, 409.

6. Consent of William Strickland Cookson, of No. 6, New Square, Lincoln's Inn, in the county of Middlesex, and James Mitchell, of Lincoln's Inn, aforesaid, Barrister-at-Law, to the making of a proposed footpath or public-way between Luton and Dunstable, following a course on the south side of the railway instead of the old way between England's Close and Skunpot, in the parish of Caddington, in the county of Hertford, crossing the Great Northern Railway in two places. Plan attached. 2nd January. See also Nos. 11, 362.
7. Printed notice of the turning, diverting, and stopping up the said footway. 27th January.
8. Consent of the surveyors of the parish of Sawbridgeworth, to the bridge at Spelbrook, in that parish, being made a county bridge. January.
15. Request that the counties of Hertford and Essex will join in the erection of a bridge, to maintain the communication which has already proved so advantageous to the trade of both, and which will connect the towns of Hertford, Hoddesdon, Epping, Ongar, and Chelmsford.

It is stated that through the river Lea at Dobb's Weir was formerly a fordway, which during the greater part of the year was the only communication between that part and Essex, but was in rainy seasons impassable and dangerous, and several accidents occurred there. In 1836 a timber

bridge was built for better accommodation, and was the only free bridge into Essex for some miles. Subsequently new inclosures took place in the adjoining parishes of Roydon hamlet and Hoddesdon; it was considered to be the most suitable spot for the formation of a public highway between the two counties, thereby opening a very important and direct communication between the aforementioned towns. Two roads were then set out and made by the inclosure commissioners, 30 feet wide, and at a cost to the parishes of upwards of £1000, which have greatly increased the traffic. With this, and the wear of time, the bridge has fallen into decay, and is now impassable, and the two roads are comparatively useless. April 4th.

18. Consent of Henry Wood, of Woodside, in the county of Hertford, gentleman, to the diversion and turning of a certain highway or public footpath, commencing at or from the entrance to a certain field called Orchard Field and Great Brooms (formerly two fields), in the occupation of James Roffe, and running on the south side of, and under or near to the hedge in the same field, and continuing thence in an eastwardly direction through an adjoining field called Little Brooms, also in the occupation of the said James Roffe, under the hedge there, and across and under the hedge of another field called Great Pond Fields, in the occupation of John Henry James on the south side of the said field, and from thence into and across a certain other field called Nut Bean (?) field, also in the occupation of the said John Henry James, into a public highway and carriageway called Sheepecote Lane, all which said fields are the property of the said John Henry James, and situate in the hamlet of Leavesden, in the parish of Watford aforesaid, in the said county of Hertford, and running across and thence from the said public highway called Sheepecote Lane, nearly opposite to where the said highway or public footpath leaves Nut Beam Field aforesaid, into another field called Upper Sheepecotes, and across the same to the corner in the opposite direction, and running from thence across the ends and under the hedges of two other fields called respectively Chalk Field and Six Acres, having formerly been two fields, and Brook field on

the south side of such fields respectively, in the Reading and Hatfield turnpike road, all which said three lastly-mentioned fields are the property of Thomas Cottrell, gentleman, and in the occupation of Henry Cobb, gentleman, over and across the said before-mentioned two fields, called respectively Orchard Field and Great Brooms and Sheepcote Field, which are the property of the said John Henry James and in the occupation of the said James Roffe, and situate in the hamlet of Leavesden and parish of Watford aforesaid, commencing at the point first above-mentioned, and running into the said public highway and carriageway there called Sheepcote Lane, and from thence down the said lane to a certain point of the south side of a field called Highwood Field, and into the same there and from thence under the hedge on the south side of the same field so far as the said hedge extends, and from thence across the same fields and into and across the end of the before-mentioned field called Chalk Field and Six Acres, under the hedge there on the north side, which two lastly-mentioned fields are the property of the said Thomas Cottrell and in the occupation of the said Henry Cobb, and from the said lastly-mentioned field into a certain other field called the Lower Ground or Cherry Tree Field, the property of the consenter, and in the occupation of the said James Roffe, on the south side thereof, and from thence into a private road or carriageway, the property of the consenter, in front of cottages and premises there the property of the said Henry Cobb, and terminating at the end of the said private roadway or carriageway where it joins and runs into a certain lane there called the Three Horse Shoes Lane, at a point nearly opposite to Leavesden, otherwise Garston New Church, all which fields and lands over which the said highway or public footpath is proposed to be diverted and turned are situate in the hamlet of Leavesden, so far as such highway or public footpath is intended to be diverted and turned over, and such new highway or public footpath is intended to be made through, over, across, or along the lands hereinbefore-mentioned and described or referred to, of which the consenter is hereinbefore-mentioned to be the owner. Plan attached. 29th July. See 393.

19. Consent of Thomas Cottrell to the above diversion. See No. 18. 29th July.
20. Notice that the water of the brook by the side of the highway at Astrop, in the parish of Puttenham, is rendered unfit for the use of the inhabitants, and is made foul and offensive by the ducks kept by James Oakley, John Green, and William Maperley. 1st August.
23. Consent of Humphrey Harper Burchell Herne, and Edward Marjoribanks, the elder, and Edward Marjoribanks, the younger, to the making and continuing of the new highway in the parish of Bushey. 10th September. See No. 408.
25. Order made calling upon James Oakley to remove his ducks from the brook at Astrop within forty-eight hours, and by no act of his in the future, to allow the watercourse to become a nuisance or injurious to the health of the public. 4th October.
30. Consent of Sir Henry Lushington, of Aspeden Hall, baronet, being owner of the lands described in the plan hereunto annexed through which part of a certain highway, to wit, a bridleway and footway lying between the village of Aspeden, in the said county, and the public highway leading from Buntingford to Cottered, in the said county, is intended to be diverted and turned, without any consideration in money to be paid to him for the said land and soil thereof. 19th December.
33. Notice of the above diverting of a road in and between the village of Aspeden and the public highway from Buntingford to Cottered. 20th December.
357. Letter from the Home Office to the Chairman of Quarter Sessions for the county of Herts, reporting a system of private communication which appears to be in operation between individuals or societies and members of the constabulary force, requesting that instructions may be given to the constabulary of your county to prevent a practice which is open to very serious objection. 3rd February.
360. Revised regulations for carrying out sentences of hard labour. All adult male prisoners, except ruptured men and cripples,

those over sixty and under fourteen, and others exempted by written order of the prison surgeon on medical grounds, and those in solitary confinement by sentence of court, shall work out their sentences of court on the treadwheel or cranks in sheds, and those so exempted shall work at picking oakum by taskwork, or at making mats or other employment, and shall have the reduced diet prescribed by the prison dietary scale for prisoners not employed at hard labour.

Cooking, cleaning yards, whitewashing, and chopping junk and firewood, being hard work, may be done by hard-labour prisoners, when there are no prisoners who are not employed at hard labour capable of such work.

The hours for working on wheels and cranks shall be from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m., except during the winter months, when work shall commence at daybreak (say half-an-hour before sunrise as per scale over) and continue until dusk. The yards, wheels, and crank sheds to be lighted with gas.

Work at picking oakum, making mats or other employment in cells shall be carried on until 8 o'clock in the evening.

Hard-labour prisoners, selected by the chaplain, shall be permitted to receive elementary instruction in reading, writing and arithmetic from the schoolmaster in their respective cells after the day's work on wheel or crank.

Prisoners awaiting trial, and others who are in their cells during the day, being selected by the chaplain, may be instructed by the schoolmaster either in the day or evening. On Sundays the prisoners rise at seven o'clock; suppers are served at six o'clock, and prisoners to be in bed by seven o'clock. Prisoners not to be compelled to sit up after supper; lights to be put out at seven o'clock, or earlier if prisoners go to bed before that hour.

The use of hammocks for prisoners sentenced to hard labour to be discontinued, and straw beds upon board bedsteads to be used instead.

Neither bed, gas-light, nor fire to be allowed to prisoners under punishment in refractory cells unless ordered by the surgeon. 13th February.

376. Report of the surveyor regarding the bridges, stating that

some trifling repairs, pointing and painting, are required to the following :—Berkhamstead, Holywell, Bedwell, Essenden, Bayford, Sawbridgeworth, Standon, Ford Bridge, Greys Hadham Mill, Dane Bridge and Roydon. The cost will not exceed £96. April 4th.

394. Certificate from two justices of the peace declaring that the public carriage-road and highway, situate in the parish of Little Hornead, in the said county of Hertford, of the width of thirty feet, being a diversion of the Pelham road, and marked No. 1 on the map annexed to the Little Hornead Inclosure Award, commencing at a point marked A on the said map, and proceeding thence in an easterly direction to, and terminating at a point marked B on the said map, set out and made by the valuer appointed under the provisions of an Act of Parliament passed in the eighth and ninth years of the reign of Her Majesty. 17th September.
418. Report of the surveyor of machinery on various gaols and their modes of punishment, and the employments there carried out. 19th March, 1864.

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6. Notice of an application to be made to Her Majesty's justices of the peace for an order to stop up, divert, and turn certain public footways in the parish of Studham, in the county of Hertford, hereinafter particularly described.

No. 1. A footway leading from Studham Common to the Hemel Hempstead and Dagnall Road, commencing at a corner on the south side of the said common known as the old Farm Corner, and thence proceeding in a south-eastwardly direction over a field, heretofore two fields called the Old Orchard and Rye Meadow respectively, in the occupation of Mr. Mark Ginger, to the gate opening into the back lane leading from the said Mark Ginger's homestead, thence proceeding in a southward direction over certain lands known as the Six Acres Field, Little Wood Field, Beach Acres Field, Little Wood Fields, into the Hemel Hempstead and Dagnall Road aforesaid, and

terminating at the gate leading out of the field called Pedley Lower Field into the said Hemel Hempstead and Dagnall Road, and being of the length of 1894 yards or thereabouts.

No. 2. One other public footway or foot-track leading out of the public highway and track over Studham Common from Pedley Gate towards the post-office, commencing at a spot opposite and near to the gate leading into the rick-yard meadow in the occupation of the said Mark Ginger, and proceeding in a south-westward direction over the said common to the said gate, thence in the same direction over the said meadow into the back lane aforesaid, where it joins the last-mentioned public footway No. 1, and being of the length of 222 yards or thereabouts.

No. 3. One other public footway leading out of the said public highway and track over Studham Common, from Pedley Gate towards the post-office, commencing at a spot opposite and near to the gate at the north end of a lane called Austin's Lane, and proceeding in a southward direction over the said common to the said last-mentioned gate, thence along the said lane in the same direction, into and over a meadow called Austin's Meadow, to the south-west corner of the same meadow, thence in the same direction over three closes called Bully Wick and Six Acres aforesaid, where the said public footway joins the first-described public footway No. 1, and being of the length of 511 yards or thereabouts.

No. 4. One other public footway leading out of the said public highway and track over Studham Common from Pedley Gate towards the post-office, commencing at a spot opposite and near to the stile at the north end of the Swan Lane and proceeding in a southward direction over the said common to the said stile, thence in the same direction along the same lane into, and, in a south-westward direction, over Austin's meadow and Bully Wick aforesaid to the south-west corner of the said field called Bully Wick, where the said public footway joins the last-described public footway No. 3, and being of the length of 191 yards or thereabouts.

The course proposed for the new public footways in lieu of the public footways above described commences at the said corner of Studham Common, known as Old Farm Corner, and thence proceeds in a south-westward direction in a straight line over several closes of land belonging to Earl Brownlow, and in the occupation of the said Mark Ginger, thence in a southward direction along Clark's Lane aforesaid down to the bend in the same lane where it turns towards the west, thence into and over a certain field called White Croft Field in the same direction to the south-west corner of the said field, thence into and over a field called Great Barley Close, along the north-west side thereof, into the Hemel Hempstead and Dagnall Road aforesaid, thence across the said road and in the same direction over Nash Field and Sow Croft Field to the boundary of the counties of Hertford and Buckingham, where the said proposed new footway enters the hamlet of Hudnall, Bucks, and being of the length of 1842 yards or thereabouts, and of the width of 4 feet.

Plans of road and footpath attached. 3rd February.

7. Consent of Mark Ginger, of Studham, and George Underwood, to the stopping up, turning, and diverting of a roadway in the parish of Studham. See No. 6. 3rd February.
9. Consent of Earl Brownlow, to the stopping up, turning, and diverting of a roadway. 3rd February.
11. Notice of an application for an order to divert, turn, and stop up the following public highways (being carriageways and driftways) lying within the parish of Studham, in the county of Hertford.

No. 1. Part of a certain public highway and track over Studham Common, commencing at or near Pedley Gate at the south corner of Studham Common, aforesaid, and proceeding in a north-westwardly direction to, and terminating at, a spot near the present post-office at its junction with the newly-made hard public carriage-road and highway leading towards Dagnall, Bucks, and being of the length of 669 yards.

No. 2. Part of a certain other public highway over and across Studham Common, commencing at or near Pedley Gate, and proceeding thence over the said common in a northward direction towards Studham Row, to the spot where the said highway enters the county of Bedford, at the counties' boundary post, and being of the length of 797 yards, or thereabouts.

No. 3. Part of a certain other public highway or track over Studham Common aforesaid, commencing at or near Pedley Gate, and proceeding over the said common in a north-eastward direction to a spot where it joins the proposed new highway, firstly hereinafter described, nearly opposite to the north corner of a meadow called Howard's Meadow, and being of the length of 457 yards or thereabouts.

No. 4. A certain other public highway or track over Studham Common aforesaid, commencing at or near Clements End Lane, and from thence proceeding over the said common in a westerly direction, to, or near the house lately the Old Swan public-house on Studham Common, aforesaid, and being of the length of 376 yards or thereabouts.

5. A certain other public highway or track over Studham Common, aforesaid, commencing at Clements End Lane aforesaid, and from thence proceeding over the said common in a north-westerly direction to the said spot near the present post-office, at its junction with the aforesaid newly-made hard public carriage-road and highway leading towards Dagnall, and being of the length of 688 yards or thereabouts.

The courses proposed for the new public carriage-roads and highways in lieu of the foregoing old highways, and to which it is proposed the said old highway shall be diverted and turned consist of—

Firstly. A new line of road as now marked and set out over Studham Common aforesaid, of the length of 941 yards or thereabouts, commencing at Pedley Gate, aforesaid, and thence proceeding over the said common in a north-eastward direction to Clements End Lane, and

thence in a northerly direction over the said common towards Studham Row, to the said spot where the old highway No. 2 hereinbefore described enters the county of Bedford, at or near the counties boundary post aforesaid.

Secondly. A new line of road as now marked and set out over Studham Common aforesaid, of the length of 583 yards or thereabouts, and of the width of 30 feet, commencing on and from the west side of the last-described proposed new highway nearly opposite to the north corner of the meadow called Howard's Meadow aforesaid, and proceeding thence in a westward direction over the said common to the said newly-made hard public carriage-road and highway leading towards Dagnall near the present post-office aforesaid. And the certificate of two justices of the peace having viewed the same, etc., with a plan of the said old highway, and of the proposed new highways, will be lodged with the clerk of the peace for the said county of Hertford. See Nos. 12, 14, 635, 636, 637. 3rd February.

16. Certificate of Joseph Woodward, that he knows the old public bridleway and footway in the parishes of Aspeden and Layston, in the county of Hertford, and the part thereof proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, and also the new bridleway and footway there proposed to be set out and appropriated to the public in lieu thereof, and that the proposed new bridleway and footway are more commodious and convenient to the public than the said old bridleway and footway, especially for foot-passengers, inasmuch as a steep ascent and two sharp turnings would be avoided thereby. 9th February.
17. Certificate of the completion of the new bridleway and footpath in the parish of Aspeden. Plan attached. 10th February.
19. Certificate regarding the posting of notices, referring to the diverting, turning, and stopping up of footways in the parish of Studham. 4th March.
21. Notice from James Oakley, of Puttenham, in the county of

Hertford, of his intention to prosecute an appeal against a certain order under the hands and seals of Frank John Moore and Algernon Smith Dorien, two of Her Majesty's justices of the peace, whereby the said James Oakley was ordered within forty-eight hours from the service of the said order to abate a certain nuisance complained of. 20th March.

25. Certificate from two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the bridleway and footway set out and appropriated to the public in lieu of part of the said bridleway and footway, leading from the village of Aspeden in the said county, into the public highway leading from Buntingford to Cottedred in the said county, over certain inclosures of land called Daisy Close and the Park situate in the several parishes of Aspeden and Layston, in the said county, and they further certify that the same is now completed and put into good condition and repair. 6th June.

31 & 32. Consent of Earl Brownlow, the owner of the lands and grounds, through and over which the proposed new high ways hereinafter described, lying within the parish of Berkhamstead St. Peters, in the county of Hertford, are intended to pass.

No. 1. Part of a certain public highway and carriage-road passing over Berkhamstead Common, commencing at or near the hand-post at the corner or point of Berkhamstead Common, where the road (hereinafter called Whitehill-road) leads from the said common towards Whitehill and the town of Berkhamstead aforesaid, and proceeding in a north-eastward direction over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, to a spot near a farm homestead called Bedfords, where the public highway and carriage-road or track No. 2 hereinafter described branches off in an easterly direction towards Friethesden, such part being of the length of 330 yards or thereabouts.

No. 2. A certain public highway, carriage-road, or track passing over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, commencing at or near the said spot near the said farm homestead called Bedfords, hereinbefore described, thence

proceeding in an eastward direction to the hamlet of Friethesden, where it joins the road leading from the said hamlet towards Potten East End, being of the length of 1723 yards or thereabouts.

No. 3. Part of another public highway and carriage-road passing over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, commencing at the said handpost near Whitehill-road aforesaid, and proceeding in an eastward direction towards Water End, for the length of 521 yards, to a spot where the proposed new highway hereinafter described, marked with the letter C, joins the highway now in description.

No. 4. A certain other public highway, carriage-road, or track, passing over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, commencing at the corner of the said common, near or adjoining to Martin's Pond, and proceeding in a north-westward direction over the said common to a spot where it joins the said road leading towards Water End near Little Heath Lane, and being of the length of 174 yards or thereabouts.

No. 5. Part of a certain other public highway and carriage-road, leading from Potten End towards the hamlet of Friethesden aforesaid, commencing at a spot where the same branches out of the said public highway leading towards Water End aforesaid, near Potten End Farm, and thence proceeding in a westward direction over Ingram Green, otherwise Potten End Green, for about 151 yards, thence in a northward direction over the said Green, and between old inclosures for about 369 yards, thence in a north-westward direction between old inclosures to a spot where the said highway turns towards the north-east and enters the parish of Northchurch, making a total length of 927 yards or thereabouts, reserving nevertheless a public bridleway and footway 9 feet wide, over and along the eastward side of such part of the said highway now in description as lies between old inclosures as aforesaid, to join with the present footway over the said Green.

No. 6. A certain other public highway and carriage-road or track commencing at or near the building (here-

tofore used as a schoolroom) standing on the said Green at Potten End aforesaid, thence proceeding in a north-eastward direction over the said Green near or by the side of certain old inclosures, there to a spot where it joins the said old highway (No. 5) hereinbefore described, and being of the length of 370 yards or thereabouts, reserving nevertheless a public bridleway and footway of the width of 9 feet over and along the westward side of the said highway now in description may (subject to the reservations hereinbefore mentioned), be diverted and turned through, over, and along the lands and grounds, and in the direction hereinafter described.

The courses proposed for the new public highways in lieu of the said old highways, and to which it is proposed the the said old highways shall be diverted and turned, consist of:—

A. A new carriage-road and highway of the width of 45 feet, as now marked and set out, passing over Berkhamstead Common and certain old inclosures in the said parish of Berkhamstead, commencing at or near the said handpost at White Hill road, and proceeding in a north-eastward direction over the said common to an old inclosure called Sayer's Field, the property of the said Earl, and in the occupation of Henry Geary, thence through and over the same old inclosure, and through and over two other old inclosures called respectively Smailes Field and Poll Redding's Field, the property of the said Earl, and in the occupation of the said Henry Geary, to the boundary dividing the parishes of Berkhamstead and Northchurch aforesaid, in the said last-mentioned old inclosure, and near to the termination of the said old highway No. 5 hereinbefore described, and being of the length of 1,917 yards or thereabouts, thence in an eastward direction through the remaining portion of the said old inclosure called Poll Redding's Field, in the said parish of Northchurch, across the said old highway leading from Potten End to Friethesden, and through certain other old inclosures in the said parish of Northchurch, the property of the said Earl, and in the occupation of

Thomas Gadsden, to Nettleden Farm homestead, in the occupation of the said Thomas Gadsden, where it falls into the newly-made public carriage-road leading towards Nettleden and Water End aforesaid.

B. A new public carriage-road and highway, of the width of 30 feet as now marked and set out, passing over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, branching out of the last-described proposed new carriage-road and highway marked A at a spot about 198 yards from the said hand-post, and proceeding in a northward direction to the said spot near the said farm homestead called Bedfords, where the said old highway No. 2, hereinbefore described, branches off towards Friethesden, and being of the length of 161 yards or thereabouts.

C. A new public carriage-road and highway of the width of 30 feet as now marked and set out, passing over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, commencing and branching out of the proposed new carriage-road and highway marked A, at the same spot where the last-described proposed new carriage-road and highway marked B commences, and thence proceeding in a south-eastward direction to the said spot where the said part of the public highway No. 3, proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid, terminates as hereinbefore described, and being of the length of 331 yards or thereabouts.

D. A new public carriage-road and highway as now marked and set out, of the width of 30 feet, passing over Berkhamstead Common aforesaid, branching out of the proposed new public carriage-road and highway marked A, hereinbefore described, at or near the new pond on the said common, and proceeding in a south-eastward direction over the said common, and on the south-west side of certain old enclosures to a spot where it joins the said highway leading from Berkhamstead to Water End, near the said building heretofore used as an old schoolroom at Potten End, and being of the length of 967 yards or thereabouts.

E. A new public carriage-road and highway of the width of 30 feet as now marked and set out, commencing

at or near the aforesaid corner of the said common, near Martin's Pond, and proceeding in a north-eastward direction, partly over an old enclosure, the property of the said Earl, and in the occupation of John Edward Lane, and partly over the said common to the said public highway leading from Berkhamstead towards Water End aforesaid, at or near the new church lately erected on the said common, and being of the length of 152 yards or thereabouts.

Consent of Henry Geary, of Berkhamstead Common, Thomas Gadsden, of Nettleden, and John Edward Lane, of Berkhamstead St. Peter, occupiers of the lands or grounds through and over which the proposed new highways within described are intended to pass. Plan attached. 15th August. See Nos. 33, 605, 606, 642.

33. Notice of an application to be made for an order for the diverting, turning, and stopping up of certain public highways lying in the parish of Berkhamstead. 17th August. See No. 31.
34. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up as unnecessary the following public footway lying within the parish of Berkhamstead St. Peter, in the county of Hertford, (that is to say)—

A certain public footway situate and being in the said parish of Berkhamstead St. Peter, leading from the village of Northchurch towards Ringshall, commencing at a gate opening into an old inclosure called Lock House Meadow, belonging to Earl Brownlow, and in the occupation of John Gadsden, from the public carriage-road and highway leading from the village of Northchurch towards Ringshall aforesaid, and above the Grand Junction Canal Bridge in the same road, and proceeding from the said gate in a northward direction over the said old inclosure called Lock House Meadow to the cutting of the London and North-Western Railway about 132 yards from the west mouth of the Northchurch Tunnel, and thence in a north-eastward direction down the southern slope of the said cutting across the said railway on the level, thence up the northern slope of the

same cutting, thence in a north-eastward direction over an old inclosure now used as garden ground, the property of the said Earl, and occupied by several tenants, and thence in the same direction over certain other old inclosures respectively known as Lea Stile Field and Plantation, the property of the said Earl, and in the occupation of Joseph Robinson, Esquire, into the said public carriage-road and highway leading from Northchurch towards Ringshall, and being of the length of 670 yards or thereabouts. And that the certificates of two justices of the peace having viewed the same, etc., with a plan of the said footway, will be lodged with the clerk of the peace for the said county of Hertford on Saturday, 16th September next. Plan attached. See Nos. 607, 608. 17th August.

35. Consent of Robert Hanbury, of Poles, in the parish of Thundridge, in the county of Hertford, being the owner and occupier of certain lands, grounds, and premises described in the plan mentioned or referred to in the notice hereunto annexed, into, through, or over which certain bridleways and footways in the several parishes of Ware and Thundridge, are proposed to be diverted and turned to the making and continuing such new roads. See also 54. 31st August.
36. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up, divert, and turn a certain public bridleway and footway in the parish of Ware, commencing in West Mill Road in the said parish, on the west side of a certain close of land there called Hopshot belonging to and in the occupation of Robert Hanbury, of Poles, in the parish of Thundridge, and extending from thence in an easterly direction over and across the said close to, and terminating in, a certain other close of land called Little Hopshot, belonging to, and in the occupation of the said Robert Hanbury, situate partly in the parish of Ware and partly in the parish of Thundridge, being of the length of 346 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 8ft. or thereabouts, and bounded on or towards the west by the road leading from Ware to Westmill, and on all other parts of lands belonging to and in the occupation of the said Robert Hanbury.

In lieu thereof a new road is to be made, commencing in Westmill Road aforesaid, on the west side of the said close called Hopshot, and extending from thence in an easterly and north-easterly direction on the south side of the said close called Hopshot, and of a portion of the said close called Little Hopshot, and terminating in the said parish of Ware, being of the length of 396 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 16 feet or thereabouts, and bounded on or towards the west by the said road leading from Ware to Westmill and on all other parts by lands and premises belonging to and in the occupation of the said Robert Hanbury.

Application also to be made to stop up, divert and turn, a certain public bridleway and footway in the parish of Thundridge, commencing in the said close of land there called Little Hopshot, belonging to and in the occupation of the said Robert Hanbury, and extending from thence in an easterly direction over and across the said close and terminating in an occupation way leading to Downfield Farm, in the parish of Thundridge, being of the length of 176 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 3 feet or thereabouts, and bounded on all parts thereof by lands and premises belonging to the said Robert Hanbury and in his occupation.

In lieu of the said last-mentioned bridleway and footway, a new road is to be made in the said parish of Thundridge, commencing on the south-easterly side of the said close called Little Hopshot, and extending from thence in a north-easterly direction to, and terminating in, the said occupation way leading to Downfield Farm aforesaid, being of the length of 192 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 16 feet or thereabouts, and bounded on all parts thereof by lands and premises belonging to the said Robert Hanbury, and in his occupation. And that the certificate of two justices having viewed the said two bridleways and footways so proposed to be stopped up, diverted and turned, and the said new roads proposed to be set out, substituted, and appropriated in lieu thereof, with a plan of the said bridleways and footways

and proposed new roads, will be lodged with the clerk of the peace for the said county on Saturday, the second day of September next. 31st August.

47. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up, divert, and turn the following highways, or parts of highways, lying within the said parish, that is to say,

Part of a certain public highway and carriage-road, called or known by the name of Stanstead Street, commencing at a point on the east side of the said street one yard or thereabouts south of the north-west corner of the forecourt or garden attached to the dwelling-house belonging to Richard Hunt, and occupied by William Jordan, and extending thence in a northward direction towards Chapel Lane, then turning in a westward direction over the bridge across the Stanstead Mill Head Stream, and terminating in Stanstead Street aforesaid, at a point on the south side of the said street two yards or thereabouts west of the south-west corner of the said bridge, adjoining property attached to Stanstead Mills, belonging to the Governor and Company of the New River, brought from Chadwell and Amwell to London, and occupied by the said Richard Hunt, such part being in the centre thereof, of the length of fifty-three yards or thereabouts.

And also part of a certain public highway and carriage-road, called or known by the name of Chapel Lane, commencing at the above-mentioned turning of Stanstead Street, across the Stanstead Mill Head Stream, and extending thence in a northward direction along Chapel Lane, and terminating in a point in the said lane at the north-west corner of the Schoolroom, a building on the east side of the said lane belonging to the Trustees of Sir Edward Baesh's Charity, such part being in the centre thereof of the length of 13 yards or thereabouts.

The said parts of the highways are so connected together that they cannot be separately stopped or diverted without interfering one with the other.

Application to be made to make and set out in lieu thereof the following new public highways in the said parish of Stanstead Abbots, that is to say:—

A new public carriage-road and highway, of the width of 25 feet, branching out of Stanstead Street aforesaid, and commencing at the north-east corner of the dwelling-house on the west side of the said street belonging to the said Governor and Company of the New River, and occupied by Sarah Boulton, and extending thence in a north-westwardly direction over the Stanstead Mill Head Stream and the site of Stanstead Mills and property attached thereto belonging to the said Governor and Company of the New River, and occupied by the said Richard Hunt, and terminating on the south side of Stanstead Street, opposite the Red Lion Inn, such new road being in the centre thereof of the length of 46 yards or thereabouts.

And also a new public carriage-road and highway of the width of 20 feet, branching out of Stanstead Street aforesaid, and commencing on the west side of the Stanstead Mill Head Stream, adjoining the Red Lion Inn aforesaid, and extending thence in a northward direction over the said stream and land or garden ground on the east side thereof, belonging to the said Governor and Company of the New River, and occupied by the said Richard Hunt, and terminating in Chapel Lane aforesaid at the north-east corner of the said land or garden ground, such new road being in the centre thereof of the length of 21 yards or thereabouts. And that the certificate of two justices having viewed the said highways and parts of highways so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, and the said new roads proposed to be made and set out in lieu thereof, with a plan of the said highways and parts of highways and proposed new roads, will be lodged with the clerk of the peace on Saturday, the 2nd December next. John Bigg, Michael Woodhouse, surveyors. 28th October.

- 47a. Plan relating to above diversions.
- 48. Consent of Richard Hunt, of Stanstead Abbots, miller, occupier of lands through which certain new roads are intended to be diverted. 28th October. See No. 47.
- 51. Order for the diverting of the above roads in the parish of Stanstead, and certificates that they will be more com-

- modious to the public than the old ones. See Nos. 47, 48. 30th November.
52. Certificate of the posting of notices concerning the diversion of roads in the parish of Stanstead. 30th November. See Nos. 47, 48, 51.
55. Consent of the Governor and Company of the New River to the diversion of highways through their lands in the parish of Stanstead Abbott. 7th December.
- 55a. Unattached plan of road from Little Hormead to Furneaux Pelham.
546. Report of the chief constable, who states that 662 persons have been apprehended or summoned during the quarter, of whom 530 have been convicted and punished, or committed for trial. The Great Eastern Company have proposed that their police shall co-operate with the police of the counties through which the railway runs to conduce to the better prevention of crime, which arrangement would be mutually beneficial. - 2nd January.
561. Certificate from two justices regarding the public footways in the parish of Studham. 4th March.
563. Certificate regarding the footpaths from Studham Common to Pedley Gate. 4th March.
565. Certificate of the completion of a certain public highway or footpath described in Bundle for 1864. No. 18. 6th March.
576. Certificate from two justices that they have viewed the completed footway, in the parish of Bushey, leading from Watford to Little Bushey. See Bundle for 1864. Nos. 2 and 8. 21st March.
587. Recommendation of a police rate of one penny farthing in the pound for the ensuing half-year. Easter Sessions.
- 605 & 606. Certificates of the justices regarding the highways in the parish of Berkhamstead. See No. 33. 16th September.
- 607 & 608. Certificate of the justices regarding the footway leading from Northchurch to Ringshall. See No. 34. 15th September.

618. Report of the visiting magistrates of the gaol, stating that the governor has remarked that he considers the exhausting effects of the hard labour, as enforced, is very visible, particularly upon men beyond the vigour of youth, and those under long sentences. The governor states that the punishment of forced marching is severe, particularly during the warm weather, but he thinks it is good as an alternative when the wheels are full. Michaelmas Sessions.
622. Report of the chaplain of the gaol, deploring the fact that he can discover no signs of a decrease in the number of prisoners received. He ventures to remind the justices of the bread which though cast upon the waters was not found till after *many* days, and bids them look forward patiently yet trustfully to a more promising and encouraging prospect in the future. He hopes "that a more prolonged experience of the pains of penal retribution on the part of those subjected to its infliction may at length convince them that a hard-earned crust, when the fruit of honest industry and honourable toil, is far sweeter to the palate than the spoils of rapacity and fraud, and teach the man who is open to conviction, or at any rate not incapable of reflecting, that an employment of the natural powers which God has given him in a humble but worthy vocation . . . will in reality prove a more safe and *profitable investment* than precious time and labour wasted in the acquisition of lawless plunder, or the mad orgies of drunken and licentious revelry, which," continued the chaplain, "will almost inevitably be followed by a course of well-merited, rigorous punishment, entailing on the wretched culprit the temporary loss of liberty, the brand of infamy and social degradation among his fellows, and the inability to practise for a time the profligate and vicious habits in which he has been long accustomed to indulge." Signed, H. Demain. 16th October.
628. Detailed report of the committee of visitors to the Three Counties Asylum, advising certain alterations and improvements, and commenting on the want of accommodation, and overcrowding of patients. 18th December.
- 635 & 636. Certificate of the completion of the new footways in the parish of Studham. See No. 6. 22nd December.

- 642. Certificate of completion of the highways in the parish of Berkhamstead. See No. 31 & 32. 29th December.
- 645. Special report of the visiting justices of the gaol, stating that the works recently in hand in connection with the crank and treadmill are satisfactorily completed, but that an extra charge of £120 over and above the amount of the estimate (£600), has been made, and they are of the opinion that this additional sum should not be paid without the instructions of the whole body of magistrates being taken. Undated.
- 718. Report from the surveyor of the county stating that the bridges are in general good repair, but that there are some trifling repairs and painting required, the cost of which will not exceed £70. April 3rd.

BUNDLE FOR 1866.

- 3. Resolution at a special meeting of the council of the borough of Hertford "that it is convenient that the borough of Hertford be annexed to the county of Hertford in reference to the cattle plague, and will thenceforth form part of the district of the local authority of the said county." 13th April.
- 5. Notice of appeal to be made by Thomas Kingsley against a conviction bearing date 9th May last, whereby he was convicted of having on his premises a certain diseased animal, to wit a bull, suffering from cattle plague, which was found alive by the inspector William Wilson, of Berkhamstead St. Peter, in a shed on the said premises, and for having caused and permitted the removal of the said bull alive from the said premises without the licence of the local authority, whereby the said Thomas Kingsley was adjudged to forfeit and pay the sum of £20.

The grounds of the appeal of the said Thomas Kingsley are:—

- 1. That he is not guilty of the said offence.
- 2. That the formal conviction drawn up and returned to the sessions is not in law sufficient to support the said conviction of him.
- 3. That the evidence given before the said justices was,

and is, insufficient in law to support the said conviction.
19th June.

- 7a. Statement from two justices of the peace that they are of the opinion that the parishes of Totteridge and Shenley, both in the county of Hertford, would form together a convenient and proper division within, and for which special sessions should henceforth be held. The parish of Totteridge is situate in the division of Hertford, and the parish of Shenley in the division of Hemel Hempstead, and therefore the said divisions of Hertford and Hemel Hempstead will accordingly be altered by such proposed new division above-mentioned. 17th December.
- 7b. Plan of portion of the Poles estate in the parish of Ware belonging to R. Hanbury.
459. Report of the cattle plague committee, stating that at present no disease exists in their division, comprising the parishes of Broxbourn, Cheshunt, St. Margarets, and Wormley, and the hamlet of Hoddesdon. They add that a sale of sheep and pigs has lately been established in Waltham Lane, in the parish of Cheshunt, within a short distance of the county of Essex, and to which fat sheep are sent out of the county of Essex. 8th October.
486. Certificate that Elijah Smith, beerhouse keeper, of Ashwell, is a fit person to keep a place for the slaughtering or killing of horses, heifers, geldings, colts, hogs, goats, or other cattle. 24th November.
594. Report of the surveyor stating that the county bridges are generally in good repair. Some painting and pointing is required to Spelbrook, Harlow, South Mill, Lockleys, and Roydon bridges, the whole of which expenses will not exceed £50. April 2nd.
611. Notice of certain irregularities which have taken place in the granting of licences for the removal of cattle. 25th July.

BUNDLE FOR 1867.

1. Report of two justices of the peace stating that the parishes of Totteridge and Shenley would form together a convenient and proper division within the county of Hertford for which special sessions should be held. 14th January.
2. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert a portion of the footpath and bridle-road or roadway leading from the highway from Ware to Wareside, in the parish of Ware, to Jackson's Grove, commencing at a gateway on the north side of the said highway leading into the yard premises of Widbury Hill House, and passing between the barn and shed and outhouses there in a straight line through the yard in a northerly direction for a distance of $22\frac{3}{4}$ poles into a field called Coltshead Field, and skirting the west side of such field, continuing in a northerly direction for a distance of $33\frac{3}{4}$ poles, to where the roadway enters a field called Cross Path Field and continues in a northerly direction for a distance of 53 poles in such field, and then enters a field formerly called Twelve Acres but now forming part of Cross Path Field, and continues on the west side of such field in a northerly direction for a distance of 23 poles, when it passes through a gateway into a lane forming part of or leading into Jackson's Grove, and which said roadway for the entire length thereof is bounded on all sides by property of Joseph Chuck; and application will be made for an order to stop up and close that part of the said path, bridleway, or roadway which passes through Widbury House Yard for a distance of $22\frac{3}{4}$ poles through the said yard to the south-west corner of the Coltshead Field, and from that point to divert and turn the said road in a curved line in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 5 poles on the south-west side of Coltshead Field, and then, skirting the west side of a field called Ponet's Close, proceeding in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 18 poles until the said roadway enters the aforesaid high road leading from Ware to Wareside through a gateway there. Plan attached. See No. 480. 30th April.
17. Consent of Joseph Church, of Ware, to the making and continuing of the above-mentioned road. 23rd April.

19. Certificate of the posting of notices regarding above diversion. 25th April.
22. Document relating to the highway districts of Hitchin, Buntingford, Hertford, Hadham, Hemel Hempstead, St. Albans, and Watford. 27th November.
24. Consent of Sir John Gage Saunders Sebright, of Beechwood, in the parish of Flamstead, baronet, to the diversion and turning of a highway through, over, and along his lands. 27th December.
454. Report of the police committee. Epiphany Sessions.
458. Report of the governor of the gaol. Ditto.
460. Report with detailed accounts relating to the Three Counties Asylum. 22nd March
476. Return shewing the number of cases of cattle plague within the jurisdiction. April.
478. Report of the surveyor stating that the county bridges generally are in good condition; those requiring repair and paint are Essenden, Bedwell, Little Berkhamstead, Bayford, Newgate Street, Welwyn, Waterhall, Hertingfordbury, Hatfield, Walkern, and Wadesmill Bridges. The expense will not exceed £75. April 8th.
479. Report of the chief constable. April 8th.
499. Report stating that no cattle disease exists in the division of Cheshunt, comprising the parishes of Broxbourne, Cheshunt, St. Margarets, and Wormley, and the hamlet of Hoddesdon. The inspector of cattle has sent in his account for services and travelling expenses for seven months, amounting to £15 16s. 0d. 30th September.
517. Lengthy report of the committee appointed to enquire into the expediency of bringing the provisions of the Highway Acts into operation in this county of Hertford. Undated.
626. Letter from Captain Buxton, school ship "Cornwall," Purfleet, asking for the transmittance of the expenses of an outfit provided for a boy received from the Hertford House of Correction, to which is added a list of clothing required by each boy, amounting to £1 14s. 2d. 1st April.

- 629. Memoranda of various payments made by different counties for boys sent to the "Cornwall" school ship. Among these two convicted of larceny are noted from the county of Hertford. 31st December.
- 631. Letter from Captain Buxton, of the "Cornwall" school ship, stating that it was understood that 2s. 6d. per head per week was to be paid by the county for the boys sentenced to be detained on board the "Cornwall" for three years, in addition to the sum of 6s. per head, per week, by Government allowance. April 5th.
- 633. Letter from Philip Longmore enquiring by what Act of Parliament he is required to pay £17 9s. 0d. for maintenance of juvenile offenders on board the school ship "Cornwall." 15th April.
- 635. Letter to the Marquess of Salisbury from the Rev. W. C. Talbot, of Hatfield Rectory, relating to the subject of work-house tramps. October 5th.
- 638. Letter relating to the appointment of persons to point out the boundaries of the several parishes, townships, or extra-parochial places within the county of Hertford. 17th December.

BUNDLE FOR 1868.

- 1 Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert, turn, and stop up part of a public highway in the parish of Flamstead, leading from Gaddesden Row, in the parish of Great Gaddesden, towards Cheverell's Green and Market Street respectively in the parish of Flamstead, such part commencing at the crest or brow of the hill descending towards the entrance lodge to Beechwood Park, and proceeding in a northerly direction to a spot where another highway leading from Ballingdon Bottom towards the village of Flamstead enters that part of the said highway now in description, and thence proceeding in a north-easterly direction past the entrance to Beechwood Park aforesaid to a spot nearly opposite the aforesaid lodge, being altogether of the length of 632 feet or thereabouts.

And also so much and such part of the public highway likewise in the aforesaid parish of Flamstead (branching out of the highway above described on the southern side thereof, and nearly opposite the aforesaid entrance to Beechwood Park, and leading from thence towards the village of Flamstead) as lies between the said public highway first above described near the said lodge, and the spot where the same is intersected by the line of the proposed new highway hereinafter described, such part being of the length of 65 feet or thereabouts.

The course for the new proposed highway commences at the crest or brow of the hill above described, and proceeds in a straight line in a north-easterly direction through the plantation or wood belonging to and in the occupation of Sir John Gage Saunders Sebright, baronet, on the south-eastern side of the said old public highway, passing over and across the said highway leading towards the village of Flamstead, and thence proceeding in the same direction over the green or waste ground between the said two old highways to the spot hereinbefore mentioned as the termination of the said part of the first-described public highway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped-up as aforesaid, such proposed new highway being altogether of the length of 582 feet or thereabouts, and of a uniform width of 35 feet, together with a new branch road to run in a south-easterly direction from the end of the said highway leading from Ballingdon Bottom to Flamstead, and thence in a straight line over and across the said old highway hereinbefore described, and proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped-up, and, over and across the said plantation or wood, into, and to join with, the proposed new highway hereinbefore described; such new branch road being of the length of 120 feet, and of the width of 25 feet or thereabouts. Plan attached. 25th January.

2. Certificate regarding the posting of notices relating to the above diversion. 2nd March.
6. Resolution passed at a vestry meeting of the parish of Hatfield "that the adoption of the new Highways Act in

opposition to the expressed views of the ratepayers would be ill-advised, and calculated to lead to increased expenses without corresponding advantage. And that it is prayed that Hatfield parish may under any circumstances be exempt from the new Act, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the quarter sessions first ensuing. 2nd April.

8. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert and turn a certain highway, in the township of Hitchin, to wit, a footpath leading out of a certain road from Hitchin Hill to Highbury, in the parish of Hitchin, across a certain field there, called Spratt's Dell, into another road leading from Highbury aforesaid into the turnpike road leading from Hitchin to Stevenage. See Nos. 25, 53. 15th April.
9. Consent of the guardians of the poor of the parish of Saint Pancras to the diverting of a highway lying between the road from Leavesden to Abbots Langley and the high road from Leavesden to Saint Albans, and lying to the south-west of the private road known as the Woodside Road, the property of the managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, and to the making and continuing such new highway through or adjoining to their said lands. 16th April.
11. Consent of the managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District, owners of the lands or grounds through which part of a certain highway lying between the road from Watford and Leavesden to St. Albans and the high road from Watford and Leavesden to Abbots Langley, in the county of Hertford, and lying to the north and north-west of the private road known as Woodside Road, the property of the said managers, to the making and continuing such new highway. 27th April.
15. Memorial from the inhabitants of Baldock stating that within their parish the highways repairable by the surveyor of the parish comprise a distance only of three miles and four furlongs, consisting of the town streets, causeways, and roads surrounding the town and immediate precincts thereof, and are kept in the highest order and perfect repair by a paid surveyor at an average expenditure of about £30 per mile, including all such causeways, whether paved or otherwise.

They state that in a parish of such small size, the town streets of which closely abut upon five contiguous parishes, no necessity exists for any aid beyond its limits in maintaining the repair of such streets, roads, and causeways, and no advantage would be derived from their being included in any proposed highway district, but on the contrary much inconvenience would be occasioned. The inhabitants therefore pray that the town and parish of Baldock may be excluded from the operation of the new Highway Act, and not be subjected to or comprised in any highway board or district to be proposed and settled under the order or authority of the said court of quarter sessions, such a measure being wholly inapplicable to the circumstances of the parish.

25-30. Documents relating to the diversion of a footpath leading out of a certain road from Hitchin Hill to Highbury in the parish of Hitchin. See Nos. 8, 53.

33. Depositions relating to the posting of notices regarding the stopping up of a certain footpath or highway leading out of the road from Watford and Leavesden to St. Albans, and extending in a north-westerly direction across part of Leavesden Woodside Farm to and into another highway leading from East Lane to the road from Watford and Leavesden to Abbots Langley, and thence to and into the same road as lies within the parish of Watford, which said certain footpath or highway has been viewed by the justices. See 57. 30th May.

35. Depositions relating to the posting of notices regarding the stopping up and diversion of a certain footpath or highway in the parish of Watford, leading from the road between Leavesden and Abbots Langley to the high road between Leavesden and St. Albans, and lying to the south-west of the private road known as the Woodside Road, which footpath or highway has been viewed by the justices. 30th May.

38. Consent of Edward Dering to the making and continuing of a new bridleway and footway through his lands. See No. 63. 24th June.

40. Documents relating to an application of the guardians of the

poor for stopping up and diverting a certain footpath in the parish of Watford. See No. . 30th May.

42. Documents relating to the application of the managers for stopping up a certain footpath or highway leading out of the road from Watford and Leavesden to St. Albans. See No. . 30th May.
45. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert and turn a public bridleway and footway in the parishes of Welwyn and Digswell, leading out of the public carriage-way between Welwyn and Stevenage at a point in the said parish of Welwyn by the entrance to the grounds of the mansion of Lockleys, in the town of Welwyn, in the said parish of Welwyn, into a public bridleway and footway, in the parish of Digswell, leading to Harmer Green, and that a new bridleway and footway shall be made, commencing at the said public carriage way between Welwyn and Stevenage aforesaid, at a point 284 yards northward of the commencement of the said present bridleway and footway, and extending from such point in an eastward direction over a close called Lamb's Croft, situate in the parish of Welwyn, of which George Edward Dering, Esq., is the owner, and George Davis is the occupier, and then in a like direction over land called the Warren, situate partly in the said parish of Digswell, of which the said George Edward Dering is both owner and occupier, into and terminating at a point in the present bridleway and footway in the said parish of Digswell leading to Harmer Green aforesaid, 1030 yards from its entrance into the said public carriage way between Welwyn and Stevenage. Plan attached. 14th July.
46. Certificate of the completion of a new public carriage-road, to be called the Westmill road, in the parish of Aspenden. Plan attached. 16th July.
50. Certificate of the posting of notices relating to the bridleway and footway between Welwyn and Digswell. 10th August.
53. Certificate of the good condition and repair of part of a new highway leading from Highbury, in the parish of Hitchin, into the turnpike road leading from Hitchin to Stevenage. Plans attached. See Nos. 8, 25. 16th October.

57. Certificate of the completion of the new highway at or near Leavesden, in the parish of Watford, the application for the making of which was made by the guardians of the poor of the parish of St. Pancras. See No. 33. 19th October.
60. Consent of Edward Marjoribanks, of the Hall, in the parish of Bushey, to the making and continuing of a new highway through his lands. Plan attached. 22nd October.
61. Resolution concerning the licensing system, that in the opinion of the court the present system of licensing for the sale of beer, wines, and spirituous liquors, is unsatisfactory and requires to be amended.

The justices of the peace for the hundred of Salford, in the County of Lancaster, state that the continued and rapid increase of crime within the hundred of Salford has become so serious as to lead to an investigation of the causes thereof. 26th October.

62. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert, turn, and stop up certain part of a highway, that is to say, a footway in the parish of Bushey, leading towards Watford, out of the public road or highway which leads from Bushey Mill and other places to Little Bushey, Bushey Heath, and other places, such part being in length 1,386 yards and 2 feet or thereabouts, and of the width of 3 feet to 4 feet, and wholly situate in the parish of Bushey, and within the district of the Watford Highway Board, and commences at the north-east corner of a certain close called Long Meadow, the property of Edward Marjoribanks, Esq., and in the occupation of Sir Dudley Coutts Marjoribanks, baronet, and thence proceeds in a south-westerly direction across the said close called Long Meadow into a close called Wood Field, otherwise Hanging Field, the property and in the occupation of the said Edward Marjoribanks, at the north-east corner thereof, and proceeds through the same wood in a south-westerly direction to a point on the west side of the same wood about 7 yards from the south-west corner thereof, and thence in a direct line across a close formerly two closes, and respectively called Scots Wood Field and Watford Field, in the occupation of the said Edward Marjori-

banks, also the respective properties of the said Edward Marjoribanks, to and terminating at a point about 96 yards and 1 foot east of the boundary fence of the London and North-Western Railway, at the westernmost corner of the said close called West Woolmerdines.

The course for the new highway and footway in lieu of the aforesaid is of the length of 1437 yards or thereabouts, and of the mean width of 4 feet, and also wholly situate within the said parish of Bushey and Watford Highway District, and commences at the point marked C on the said plan, about 8 yards north of the spot herein described as the commencement of such old highway, and proceeds in a direct line for 487 yards and 1 foot, or thereabouts, along the southernmost side of two closes (now in one), called Brick Field and Grove Field, the property of the said Edward Marjoribanks, and in the occupation of the said Sir Dudley Coutts Marjoribanks, and thence over a small ditch or stream into the said close called Long Meadow, and thence proceeds in a direct line for 250 yards and 1 foot, or thereabouts, along the northernmost side of the said close called Long Meadow, and thence in a southerly direction across the same close called Scots Wood Field, at a point 25 yards and 1 foot, or thereabouts, from the north-west corner of Scots Wood aforesaid, and proceeds thence in a direct south-westerly line across the aforesaid closes, respectively called Scots Wood Field, Watford Field, and West Woolmerdines, to and terminating at the spot described as the termination of such part of such old highway and footway so proposed to be diverted, turned, and stopped up as aforesaid. 27th October.

64. Certificate of the posting of notices relating to the diversion of a highway or footway in the parish of Bushey. 1st December.
65. Resolution passed by 97 parish vestries "that the adoption of the new Highways Act, in opposition to the expressed views of the ratepayers, would be ill-advised, and calculated to lead to increased expenses without corresponding advantages." Undated.

66. Order that the parish of Knebworth shall be added to the Hitchin highway district; that Saint Albans highway district shall be altered by the subtraction therefrom of the parish of Totteridge. Undated.
67. Provisional order adding Widford to the Hadham highway district, and the hamlet of Nuthampstead to the Buntingford highway district. Undated.
69. Order, subject to a like direction being made by the justices of the peace for the counties of Bedford and Huntingdon, that the committee of visitors of the Three Counties' Asylum shall carry out the enlargement of such asylum in the manner contemplated in the special report of the committee, and that a sum not exceeding £7,200 be contributed by this county of Hertford towards the costs of such enlargement. Easter Sessions.
71. Alphabetical list of parishes to which were sent a circular relating to the highways. Undated.
617. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties' Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
628. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed the highway in the parish of Flamstead proposed to be diverted and turned. 2nd March.
625. Report of receipts and expenditure on account of the Three Counties' Asylum. 20th March.
637. Details regarding the enlargement of the asylum above-mentioned. 20th March.
640. Report of the executive committee for the purposes of the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act for the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act. 6th April.
642. Report of the chief constable concerning the county constabulary, and the number of persons apprehended during the quarter. April 6th.
651. Report of the police committee. Easter Sessions.
654. Certificate regarding the proposed new highway in the parish of Watford leading from the road between Leavesden and Abbots Langley to the high road between Leavesden and St. Albans. 29th June.

- 655. Certificate that the proposed new road through the lands of the managers of the Metropolitan Asylum District is more commodious than the old way. 30th May.
- 658. Certificate of the completion of the new highway in the parish of Flamstead. 23rd June.
- 661. Report of the chief constable relating to the distribution of the county constabulary. 30th June.
- 669. Report of the police committee. Midsummer.
- 671. Certificate of the completion of the new highway in the parish of Watford running parallel with a certain road, the property of the Metropolitan Asylum District. 31st July.
- 672. Certificate relating to the diversion of bridleway commencing near the entrance to the grounds of the mansion of Lockleys. 10th August.
- 674. Certificate of the completion of a new highway at or near Leavesden, in the parish of Watford. 6th September.
- 690. Report of the chaplain of the goal. 20th October.
- 692. Certificates relating to the diverting, turning and stopping up of a highway in the parish of Bushey. 1st December.
- 694. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties' Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
- 701. Certificate from two justices that they have viewed the bridleway and footway in the parish of Welwyn and Digs-well, and that the same are now completed. 24th December.
- 772. Letter from A. F. O. Liddell, dated from Whitehall, enclosing suggestions for more effectually securing prisons against attacks from without.

Precautions for this purpose are applicable to two conditions :—

1. Where a military guard is stationed. In this case the periods of relief, the distribution of the force, the posting of sentries, the piercing of loopholes for musketry, etc., must depend upon the judgment of the military officer in command; the division of supervision, upon the agreement at which the civil and military authorities

may jointly arrive. The portions of the prison more immediately entrusted to the protection of the military should be defined and distinguished.

2. Where no military assistance is called for, or where the military guard is kept in reserve. In this case the following precautions are necessary:—

(1) The space between the outer gate and the prison door should be made more secure by the addition of an inner open iron gate, or safety gate, as it is usually termed.

(2) A door of iron or of wood plated with steel should in all cases be placed on the prison side of the governor's private door of entrance.

(3) All windows giving upon points without the prison walls should be strongly barred internally, and, if possible, provided with iron shutters readily closed.

(4) The drains should be carefully barred in different places, and examined daily.

(5) The prison should be provided with reflecting lamps and tin candlesticks, kept in good order and regularly inspected, in a place readily accessible.

(6) The interior of the prison should invariably be kept securely closed, the yards or spaces intervening within the exterior walls being regarded as altogether outside of the prison itself; and the admission of strangers into these yards or spaces without a written order should be forbidden.

(7) Where firearms are in the possession of the prison authorities they should be kept within the interior prison, unless actually in the hands of officers on duty, and then should be loaded.

(8) In case of an actual assault being apprehended, and when the outer grounds of the prison are of considerable size, the force of warders, etc., should be kept within the prison, and those without be withdrawn to the interior on the first alarm. The force should not be weakened by patrols without the external walls, but should be told off to stations from which all points between those walls and the prison can be best commanded.

776. Letter from James Fergusson, Whitehall, stating that the period of engagement of the special constables, recently sworn in, having in many cases expired, and generally being about to terminate, he is directed by Mr. Secretary Hardy to inform the authorities that he considers that present circumstances do not render its extension necessary, upon general grounds. Mr. Hardy has observed with much satisfaction the willingness with which, both in the Metropolis and throughout the Kingdom at large, numbers of persons have enrolled themselves, and the zeal with which they have submitted to practical training under the command of competent officers. In many cases gentlemen who have filled important posts in various branches of Her Majesty's service have given much pains to the organization of bodies of special constables. On the whole Mr. Hardy has reason to believe that the special constables recently enrolled, and in number exceeding 113,674, have been organized upon a footing of readiness and efficiency never before attained, and that the spirit of loyalty and determination thus evinced has been of material public service. Mr. Hardy believes that the good arrangements made at this time will not be lost, as they will be easily available should any similar occasion present itself. The staves and badges issued to the constables should be recalled at the expiration of their engagements, and be stored at such convenient place as the local authority may direct. 31st March.
778. Letter from the surveyor reporting that with the exception of Moor Bridge, Walkern, Standon, Wadesmill, Hertingfordbury, and Cowbridge, the bridges belonging to the county are in generally good repair. Including painting the iron and woodwork of the several bridges, the cost of the repairs is estimated at £68. April 7th.
779. Letter from the clerk of the peace at St. Albans regarding repairs of bridges generally. 20th April.

BUNDLE FOR 1869.

2. Order from the court that the Hadham highway district shall be altered by the addition thereto of the parish or place of

Widford, and that the Buntingford highway district shall be altered by the addition thereto, of the hamlet of Nuthamstead, in the county of Hertford. The court also orders that one waywarden (keeper of private roads) shall be appointed for each of the said parishes or places of Widford, and hamlet of Nuthampstead. See No. 6. 16th January.

6. Order from the court that the Hadham highway district shall be altered by the appointment of a second or additional waywarden for the parish of Sawbridgeworth, and that the Hadham highway district shall be altered by the appointment of a second or additional waywarden for the parish of Standon. See No. 2. 10th April.
7. Agreement between the London and North-Western Railway Company and the churchwardens of Watford, assessing their rateable value in respect of the London and North-Western Railway, and the Watford and Bushey stations at £12,000. 3rd May.
11. Consent of Alexander Forbes, of King's Cross, assistant secretary of the Great Northern Railway Company, to the making and continuing of a new highway, and the diversion and turning of an old highway in the parishes of Wheathamstead and Codicote, in consideration of the sum of £24 15s. 6d. to be paid to the said company. See Nos. 673, 683. 18th June.
15. Notice from George Sowerby, of Puckeridge Bury, in the parish of Offley, owner of lands in the several parishes of Offley and Lilley, that he is desirous to stop up portion of a certain highway and to make another highway in lieu thereof. Plans attached. See No. 684. 17th July.
25. Consent of the Rev. John Olive, of Ayot St. Lawrence, to the making and continuing of part of a certain new highway, lying between the village of Wheathamstead and Gustard Wood, and passing across his lands. 3rd July.
26. Notice of an application to be made to Her Majesty's justices of the peace for an order to stop up, divert, and turn a certain part of a public carriage-road and highway leading from Wheathamstead to Gustard Wood at a point in the

said highway adjoining the highway leading from Codicote to the said village of Wheathamstead, and continuing thence in a northern direction to Gustard Wood, of the length of 250 yards by the mean width of 18 feet. The new road proposed to be made is situate in the parish of Wheathamstead, leading from the village of Wheathamstead to Gustard Wood, commencing at the point at which the said road is proposed to be stopped up near the village of Wheathamstead, and terminating at the point where the said road is proposed to be stopped up at the point leading to Gustard Wood aforesaid, and which said proposed new road is more commodious to the public, and is of the length of 252 yards and of the mean width of 30ft., and is wholly situate within the parish of Wheathamstead. 23rd July.

28. Certificate regarding posting of notices with reference to above-mentioned diversion of roads in the parish of Wheathamstead. 31st July. See No. 31.
32. Appeal by the landlord of the Globe public house in the parish of Wormley, against a refusal of license to sell exciseable liquors. 2nd September.
34. Appeal by the landlord of the Jolly Bargeman beerhouse, Riverside, in the parish of Cheshunt, as above. 2nd September.
36. Appeal by James Swaine, of Tea Green, in the county of Hertford, as above. 3rd September.
37. Appeal by the landlord of the Gardener's Arms beerhouse, Marsh Lane, Cheshunt, as above. 4th September.
- 39-41. Proofs of posting and serving notices, with verification of plan relating to Offley and Lilley footpath. 11th September.
45. Consent of George Sowerby, to the making and continuing of a new highway, through his lands from Hertfordshire Corner to Mangrove Farm. 14th September.
- 48-59. Duplicate documents relating to the above diversion of a road over the lands of George Sowerby. 14th September.
80. Brief to move confirmation of certificate to stop up part of the road leading from Wheathamstead to Codicote. 18th October.

82. Brief to move confirmation of certificate to stop up part of the road leading from Wheathamstead to Kimpton. 18th October.
85. Certificate of the completion of the footpath leading from the south corner of Putteridge Bury Park, called Hertfordshire Corner, to Mangrove Farm. 4th November.
86. Certificate of the completion of a footpath leading from the Dog Kennell Farm in the village of Lilley into the road leading from Lilley Bottom to Putteridge Bury, and from thence until it meets the footpath leading from Mangrove to Lilley. 4th November.
88. List of bridges belonging to the county of Hertford :—
 - Bushey Mill Bridge (half to the Liberty of St. Alban).
 - Bedwell.
 - Buntingford.
 - Braughing.
 - Brick or Sandon Lane Bridge.
 - Little Berkhamstead.
 - Bayford.
 - Cowbridge, Hertford.
 - Chipping.
 - Cheshunt Wash.
 - Digswell.
 - Dane Bridge, Hadham.
 - Camfield Bridge, Essendon.
 - Ford Bridge, Braughing.
 - Grey's Bridge or New Bridge.
 - Holwell.
 - Harlow.
 - Hadham Mill.
 - Hatfield.
 - Hoddesdon.
 - London Colney (half to Liberty of St. Alban).
 - Little Lee Bridge, Waltham (half to Essex).
 - Lockleys.
 - Lemsford Mills.
 - Moor Bridge, Watton.

Newgate Street, Cheshunt.
 Poplars Green.
 Roxford.
 Roydon.
 South Mill (Stortford to Sawbridgeworth).
 Stanborough.
 Spital Brook.
 Sawbridgeworth.
 Standon.
 Walkern.
 Watton.
 Welwyn.
 Water Hall.
 Wadesmill.
 Woolmers to Cole Green.
 Watford (half to the Liberty of St. Alban).

221. Depositions concerning William Phillips, a post-boy, charged with having destroyed certain letters the property of the Receiver-General of the General Post Office. 1st January.
652. Certificate of the completion of certain parts of a highway, in the parish of Bushey, leading towards Watford, out of, and from the public road or highway which leads from Bushey Mill and other places to Little Bushey, Bushey Heath, and other places.
661. Report of the trustees appointed to enquire whether Digswell Bridge was a county bridge or not: they state that they have examined certain old account-books of 1801 and 1802, in the possession of Mr. Waller, of Digswell, farmer, who is the son of the builder of the said bridge, and they have satisfied themselves that the same bridge was built by order of Mr. Cowper, prior to the 43 Geo. III, c. 59 (1803). A further statement confirmatory of the above fact has been supplied by J. W. Blake, Esq., J.P., who on the 11th of January last examined an old man named Henry Bigg, aged 83, who recollected the circumstance of the building of the bridge previously to 1802. The said bridge is over the river Mimram at Digswell Water, and is and has been long used as a public bridge, and is of considerable public advantage.

The committee report that they consider the said bridge a county bridge. 6th April.

671. Recommendation by the justices that the finance committee shall pay the charges of Mr. Armstrong, solicitor, Hertford, amounting to £56 0s. 8d. for defending an appeal by James Lawrence against a conviction made for allowing his cattle to lie about the highway, and which conviction was confirmed by the court of Queen's Bench. The case was an important one and settled the law on a question that was causing much injury to the banks and fences of property. 5th June.
673. Certificate of two justices of the peace that they have viewed a certain public highway leading from the village of Wheathamstead to Codicote, in the county of Hertford, at a point adjoining the highway leading from Gustard Wood, in the parish of Wheathamstead, to the village of Wheathamstead, and continuing thence in an easterly direction to Codicote, and which part of the said old highway so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned is of the length of 56 yards 2 feet or thereabouts, and of the mean width of 12 feet or thereabouts, and is wholly situate in the parish of Wheathamstead. The course proposed for the new carriage-road commences at or near the station-yard of the Great Northern Railway Company and proceeds in a straight line in an easterly direction across the lands of the said railway company. The said new course is certified to be more commodious to the public. Plans attached. 18th June. See Nos. 11, 683.
683. Certificate regarding affixing of notice in connection with the diversion of a carriageway in the parish of Wheathamstead. See Nos. 11 and 673. 22nd July.
684. Document, in duplicate, relating to the diversion of portion of a public highway or footway leading from the village of Lilley aforesaid, to Mangrove, leading from the south corner of Putteridge Bury Park, called Hertfordshire Corner, to Lilley and Offley, running in a zig-zag direction over lands of George Sowerby. 11th September. See No. 15.

- 697. Report of the county surveyor stating that Bayford Park Bridge, which has been built many years, is generally substantial, but requires some repair to the foundations and soffits of arches. 18th October.
- 698. Report of the committee appointed for the purposes of the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act, who regret to state that pleuro-pneumonia and foot-and-mouth disease have appeared, the former to a limited, the latter to a considerable extent in the county. 19th October.
- 704. Report of the chaplain recommending the system of useful and productive industry rather than the expending of fruitless toil and exhaustion upon the treadmill. 19th October.
- 710. Certificate of the completion of new highway in the parish of Wheathamstead. 30th December.
- 808. Report of the surveyor stating that the county bridges are in general good condition, but that some trifling repairs, such as painting to wood and ironwork, are necessary to the following bridges :—Buntingford, Braughing, Brick or Ford Bridge, Chipping; Cole Green, Essendon, Ford Bridge, Greys Bridge, Hadham Hill, Hatfield, Little Lea Bridge, Waltham; Moor Bridge, Watton; New Bridge, Poplars Green, Roydon, South Mill (Stortford to Sawbridgeworth), Standon, Sandon Lane, Walkern, Watton, and Wadesmill. The cost of the whole will not exceed £125. 6th April.

BUNDLE FOR 1870.

- 2. Consent of Abel Smith, of Watton, Woodhall, in the county of Hertford, the owner of a field called Further Field, in the parish of Bramfield, that so much of the highway between Hertford and the village of Bramfield as is described in the notice on the other side be diverted and turned, and that the proposed new highway should be made through the said field called Further Field, 20th January; and similar consent of William Wyman, of Bramfield, farmer, and occupier of the field called Further Field, to the proposed new highway being made through the said field called Further Field. 15th January.

3. Order to the highway board requiring them to convene a meeting of the inhabitants of St. Andrew, Hertford, and Bramfield, and to submit to them the desire of Robert Smith, that part of a certain highway leading from the town of Hertford to the village of Bramfield aforesaid, and situate and being partly in the said parish of St. Andrew and partly in the said parish of Bramfield, should be diverted and turned in manner following ; that is to say, that so much and such part of the said highway as commences at a point distant 70 yards and 1 foot or thereabouts, from the north-east corner of St. Andrew's Cemetery, in the parish of St. Andrew, and ends at a gate leading from, and out of, a field called Further Field, in the parish of Bramfield, which part of the said highway is of the length of 1,644 yards and 2 feet or thereabouts, should be stopped up, and that in lieu thereof and substitution for the same a new highway should be opened, running out of the said existing highway and commencing at the north-east corner of the said cemetery in the said parish of St. Andrew, and extending in a north-westerly direction through and over part of a certain field in the said parish of St. Andrew (formerly glebe land) and lately belonging to the Earl Cowper, but of which Robert Smith is now the owner and occupier, and then in a like direction through and over two fields or closes of land called Upper Stockings and Round Wood Close, then along an old occupation road in the said parish of Bramfield, belonging to a farm there called Broad Oak End Farm, of which Robert Smith is both owner and occupier, and from thence in a more northerly direction, along or across the east side of a field or close called Nine Acres, and thence into and partly across a field or close called Upper Gorhill, and a field or close called Oakfield, in the said parish of Bramfield, of all which said fields or closes of land Robert Smith is both owner and occupier, and thence into and across the said field called Further Field to the said gate, there opening from the same field into the said highway leading from Hertford to Bramfield, where the proposed new highway will fall into the said existing highway leading from Hertford to Bramfield, where the proposed new highway will fall into

the said existing highway from Hertford to the village of Bramfield aforesaid, and which proposed new highway is of the length of 1,571 yards and 2 feet or thereabouts, being 72 yards or thereabouts shorter than that part of the said existing highway from Hertford to Bramfield which is proposed to be diverted and stopped up as aforesaid, so that such new road would be nearer and more commodious to the public. Plan attached. 20th January. See Nos 11, 12, 533, 554.

5. Consent of William Robert Baker, being the owner of such of the lands described in the plan annexed, through which lands part of a certain new carriageway commencing at the public carriageway between Hertford and Bayford, at a point 66 yards or thereabouts westward of the parish church of Hertford is intended to be diverted and turned. Plan attached. See Nos. 6, 30, 555. 21st January.
6. Notice of an application to be made for an order to divert and turn the above carriageway. See Nos. 5, 30, 555. 22nd January.
7. Notice of improvements to be undertaken in the Hadham Highway District.

Parish of Widford.—Road leading from church to railway station. Widen road 4 feet, a distance of 90 yards, take off top of hill, lay in 90 yards of drain and other work beyond ordinary repairs, and essential to placing the existing highways in a proper state of repair.

Widford Hill.—Brick retaining wall to side of hill, and other work beyond ordinary repairs and essential to placing the existing highway in a proper state of repair; make new road, gravelled, 230 yards long from Widford Hill over Mr. Lewin's land to Barrows.

Level Widford Hill by taking off top 110 yards long, 20 feet wide, average depth of 4 feet, slope ground of Mr. Lewin's field.

Lower Medcalfe's Hill or White Horse Hill by taking off top 200 yards long, 20 feet wide, average depth of 7 feet. (Undated).

The cost of the above improvements is estimated at £874 9s. 0d. See No. 39. 28th January.

9. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up as unnecessary so much and such part of the public footway in the parish of Bengoe leading from the town of Hertford, by Molewood Mill to Waterford, in the parish of Bengoe, on the west bank of the mill stream, as commences at and runs out of the new turnpike road, there at the point where such new turnpike road is carried over the said stream, by a bridge into and through a wood called Molewood, in the parish of Bengoe, and which said part of the said public footway runs from the said turnpike road in a northerly direction along the said bank of the mill stream through or by the side of a meadow called Long Meadow, in the parish of Bengoe, of which Robert Smith, Esquire, is owner and occupier, to, and ends at a footbridge very near the north end of the said meadow, by which footbridge the said public footway is carried over the said mill stream, from Long Mead aforesaid, to the south side of the said stream, and thence continued along a Marsh called Waterford Marsh to Waterford; and which said part of the public footway is of the length of 500 yards and 2 feet or thereabouts.

And an application will also be made for an order for stopping up as unnecessary so much and such part of a certain other public footway in the parish of Bengoe, leading from the village of Bengoe, to or near the messuage and premises called Goldings, in the same parish, of which the said Robert Smith is both owner and occupier, as to the length of 360 yards and 2 feet or thereabouts, and lies between the said new turnpike road and the road near Goldings aforesaid, which was turnpike but is now discontinued as a turnpike road, and which part of the said public footway runs out of the said new turnpike road through the said wood called Molesworth and over the said mill stream, there by means of a footbridge, for a distance of 38 yards 2 feet, along the west bank of the said mill stream in a north-easterly direction, and then proceeds across the said field or mead called Long Mead in a north-westerly direction, and then across a field called Cow Mead, of all of

which said fields the said Robert Smith is owner and occupier, and thence into an occupation road, belonging to and occupied by the said Robert Smith, when it falls into the said road, now discontinued as a turnpike road, at a gate or place nearly opposite to but a little east of the entrance lodge of Goldings aforesaid. Plan attached. See Nos. 18, 534, 535. 28th January.

13. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up as unnecessary a certain public highway called Bods End Lane, situate in the parish of Hemel Hempstead, branching out of another highway leading from Ward's End Farm towards Counters End, and leading from such other highway in a north-westerly direction by Bods End and Warners End Lane, leading from Warners End Farm to Fields End, all in the parish of Hemel Hempstead, the said Bods End Lane being of the length of 1533 yards or thereabouts. Plan attached. See No. 530. 26th January.
14. Consent of the Ecclesiastical Commissioners for England, the owners of the lands described in plan annexed, through which part of a certain highway lying between the village of Wheathamstead and Codicote, intended to be diverted and turned to the making and continuing of the new highway in consideration of £20 to be paid them for the land. Plan attached. See No. 42. 3rd February.
15. Lengthy details of proposed improvement to the parish of Widford, in the Hadham highway districts to cost £374 9s. 22nd February.
18. Affidavit in proof of notices and plan of the Bengoe footway. See Nos. 9, 534, 535. 1st March.
20. Affidavit and proof of notices, plan, etc., of St. Andrew's and Bramfield Roads. See Nos. 2, 3, 533, 554. 1st March.
30. Certificate from two justices of the peace that they have viewed part of a certain public carriageway leading from Hertford to Bayford, the said part being situate near the parish church in the parish of Bayford, and extending a distance of 165 yards. And also that they have viewed the proposed new carriageway which commences at the said

public carriageway between Hertford and Bayford at a point 66 yards or thereabouts westward of the said parish church, and extending in an eastward direction over a certain close of land situate in the said parish of Bayford, and in a like direction over two gardens adjoining the said close of land, and terminating at a point in the said present public carriageway, 105 yards eastward of the said parish church. The above diversion is certified to be more commodious to the public. 3rd March.

38. Memorial of the owners, ratepayers and inhabitants of the parish of Widford against the new Highways Act and the proposal to make alterations in the parish highways. See No. 7. Midsummer Sessions.
42. Consent of the Great Northern Railway to the making and continuing of a new highway between Wheathamstead and Codicote in consideration of £24 15s. 6d. to be paid them for the said land. See No. 14. 23rd July.
530. Certificate of the viewing by two justices of Bods End Lane highway, in the parish of Berkhamstead. See No. 13. 28th February.
- 531-533. Documents relating to the diverting of a highway in the parishes of St. Andrew, Hertford, and Bramfield. See Nos. 2, 3, 20. 1st March.
- 534, 535. Documents relating to diversion of roads in the parish of Bengoe. See Nos. 9-18. 1st March.
537. Report of the committee appointed for the purpose of the Cattle Diseases Prevention Act. Undated.
554. Document relating to the diversion of highway in the parish of Bramfield. 7th May.
555. Certificate of the completion of the new carriageway from Hertford to Bayford. See Nos. 5, 6-30. 20th June.
556. Notice from Lord Verulam, lord lieutenant of the county, relating to the want of accommodation for keeping the arms, clothing, and stores of the Militia. 24th June.
576. Report of the chaplain of the gaol. 29th September.
581. Report of the finance committee. October 18th.

583. Report of the chief constable. October 18th.
587. Memorial of the justices of the peace regretting the intention to abolish the home circuit, and stating their reasons for their objection. Signed by Lord Salisbury, chairman. Undated.
697. Letter from the surveyor stating that the following bridges require general repair :—Welwyn, Lockleys, Harlow, Bedwell, Berkhamstead, Roxford, Bay, Cheshunt, Hatfield, Stanboro', Wadesmill, Dane Bridge, Watford, Bushey Mill, Cowbridge, Hertingfordbury, Holwell, Little Lea Bridge, Watton, Walkern, Sawbridgeworth, Woolmers and Essendon. Essendon Bridge has suffered much from the late heavy rains, rendering the roadway dangerous. The cost of repairs to the above bridges will amount to £303. April 5th.
698. Letter from Lord Northbrook concerning the reserve forces. 12th September.
699. Letter relating to the expenses of enlarging the Three Counties Asylum, stating that £3,000, the last instalment of the sum of £15,000 voted for that purpose, is required. The proportion of the £3,000 payable by the county of Hertford is £1,423 16s. 0d. 14th October.

BUNDLE FOR 1871.

4. Request of John Schofield, of Little Heath, in the parish of North Mimms, that a vestry meeting be convened of inhabitants of North Mimms to consider his wish that a certain part of a public carriageway, called the Hawkshead Road, leading from Hawkshead to the public highway leading from Potters Bar to Hatfield, and called the Great North Road, situate near the residence of the said John Schofield, should be diverted for a distance of 396 feet; and that a new carriageway should be made, commencing at a point in the said public highway called the Great North Road, distant 120 feet south from the public highway called the Hawkshead Road, extending over a close of land of which he is the owner, and terminating at a point on the

Hawkshead Road 396 feet from the Great North Road ; and that such part of the present public highway, extending from the Great North Road to the point where the new carriageway would enter the present carriageway, be stopped up. The new proposed carriageway is to be in length 392 feet. 25th April.

7. Consent of John Schofield, of North Mimms, to the proposed diversion of the Hawkshead Road, as set out in notice of 25th April. 30th June.
8. Authority to justices to view proposed diversion of Hawkshead Road. 7th June.
12. Printed notice of application to the justices of the peace assembled in quarter sessions for an order for converting and stopping up part of the carriageway called the Hawkshead Road, and opening a new carriageway in lieu thereof. 5th August.
14. Plan referring to the foregoing highways.
15. Affidavit in proof of notices and plan of above new carriageway. 7th August.
16. Certificate by Robert William Gaussen and William Franks, two justices of the peace, that they have viewed the proposed new carriageway in the parish of North Mimms, that it is four feet nearer, and more commodious than the old carriageway which is proposed to be diverted. 7th August.
18. Certificate by the same two justices, of the completion of the new carriageway in the parish of North Mimms. 21st December.
164. Deposition of the Honourable and Rev. W. C. Talbot, rector of Hatfield, and others, concerning John Green, charged with behaving in an indecent manner in the parish church of Hatfield during divine service, defendant having uttered "most unearthly yells," and disturbed the congregation. 6th May.
457. Quarterly report of the chief constable. 2nd January.

461. Report as to the repairs needed for the Militia Stores at Hatfield. The buildings of the stores for clothing and the armoury are in good repair, but the wood and ironwork require painting.

The following need repairs or alterations :—

The buildings used by the adjutant, quartermaster, paymaster, and quartermaster's sergeant, the guard and store-rooms.

The lavatory.

The major's house.

The powder magazine.

The fence enclosing powder magazine and garden.

The drill yard.

The boundary post, rail and pale fence, gates and dwarf wall next the road on the north side.

The seventeen houses on the east side of the London Road, occupied by the sergeants.

The nine houses on the south side of the quadrangle.

The dwarf wall and iron fence on the west side of the quadrangle.

The three houses on the west side of the London Road.

The report states that the "ironmongery" is very inferior, and that a violent storm damaged the roof over the armoury, stores, etc., which was repaired immediately. [No. 557 is a later report dated 27th June]. 3rd January.

469. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum, giving the number of patients, and stating that the Asylum is in a satisfactory condition. Gives an account of the expenditure on the enlargement of the buildings, and states that great difficulty was met with in procuring a proper supply of water, which was, however, obtained when the boring had penetrated the green sand. Epiphany Sessions.
477. Report of the police committee concerning the alterations done to the following police stations :—Royston, Watford, Great Berkhamstead, Stevenage, and Ware. Epiphany Sessions.
481. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Report of Executive Committee. Epiphany Sessions.

486. Schedule of deeds laid before the court by the clerk of the peace, pursuant to Standing Order No. 64. Epiphany Sessions.
498. Report of the justices' clerks' committee, concerning a proposal to pay such clerks by salaries instead of by fees. Epiphany Sessions.
504. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 4th April.
526. Similar return. 26th June.
530. Recommendation of the finance committee to the justices of the peace, that the justices' clerks should be paid by salary instead of by fees. 27th June.
538. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Report of the executive committee; states that the foot-and-mouth disease and pleuro-pneumonia have again broken out in the county. 17th October.
580. Report of the county surveyor on the repairs done to London Colney Bridge. 14th October.
586. Report of the finance committee on several orders of the court; mentions a communication from the clerk of the Watford Highway Board, concerning a raised footpath approaching Bushey Mill Bridge on the county side of the bridge, which has been repaired owing to a mistake, without authority from the county or the superintendence of the county surveyor, at a cost of £27 10s. 0d.; it is recommended that the amount be not paid, so as not to create a precedent. 17th October.
626. Surveyor's report and estimates for repair of bridges. 4th April.
666. Letter from the Home Secretary declining to accede to a memorial from the inhabitants of Shenley and Ridge, praying to be separated from the Metropolitan Police district and joined to the county of Herts for police purposes. 18th March.
- 683-689. Newspapers containing advertisements respecting diverting and stopping up a carriageway at North Mimms.

BUNDLE FOR 1872.

2. Order of the Home Secretary confirming the recommendation of the court for the payment of justices' clerks by salaries, and specifying the amounts to be paid in the various petty sessional divisions of the county.
6. Notice that on the 14th October next, application will be made to the justices for the diversion of a public footway in Hoddesdon, which now runs from School Lane across School Lane Field, belonging to Charles Peter Christie, esquire, to a bridge over the New River; so that it shall commence at another public footway leading from School Lane at a point 63 yards northward of the commencement of the present footway and extending thence eastward over School Lane Field for 146 yards; and for stopping up that part of the present footway which extends from the said public footway leading from School Lane to the said bridge over the New River, a distance of 188 yards. 22nd July.
7. Letter from Charles Christie, esquire, owner of School Lane Field in Hoddesdon, consenting to the proposed diversion. 23rd July.
9. Consent of Earl Brownlow, landowner and occupier of the land and ground through which a proposed new footway is intended to pass, to the proposed diversion of a footway in Ashridge Park. 25th July.
13. Printed notice of an application to be made to the justices for an order to divert, turn, and stop up a certain part of a public footway situate in Ashridge Park, and in the several parishes of Berkhamsted Saint Peter and Little Gaddesden, in the county of Hertford, and Pightlesthorne, otherwise Pitstone, and Ivinghoe, in the county of Bucks, and leading from Berkhamsted Common in the said parish of Berkhamsted Saint Peter, towards the village of Little Gaddesden, such part being of the aggregate length of 1,444 yards or thereabouts, and of the width of 3 feet or thereabouts, and commencing at a wicket gate in the south-west boundary fence or park paling of Ashridge Park adjoining Berkhamsted Common, and lying south-east of the Berk-

hamsted lodge gate or entrance into Ashridge Park, and proceeding from the said wicket gate in a northerly direction for the distance of 350 yards or thereabouts, where the said public footway enters the parish of Pightlesthorne, and thence proceeding in the said parish of Pightlesthorne in a north-easterly direction for the further distance of 969 yards or thereabouts, where the said public footway enters the said parish of Ivinghoe, and thence proceeding in the parish of Ivinghoe in the same direction, and across the carriage-road leading to Ashridge House, for the further distance of 66 yards or thereabouts, when the said public footway enters the parish of Little Gaddesden, and thence proceeding in the parish of Little Gaddesden in the same north-easterly direction for the further distance of 59 yards or thereabouts, to and terminating at a spot where it falls into the asphalted footpath leading from Ashridge House to the village of Little Gaddesden.

The course proposed for the new footway in lieu of the said public footway above described, proposed to be diverted and stopped, commences at the said wicket gate of Ashridge Park and proceeds thence in a north-easterly direction, across the said park—the property and in the occupation of Earl Brownlow—to the termination of the said part of the said old footway proposed to be diverted at the spot where it falls into the said asphalted footpath leading from Ashridge House to Little Gaddesden; such proposed new footway being of the aggregate length of 1,431 yards or thereabouts, containing in the parish of Berkhamsted Saint Peter a length of 240 yards or thereabouts, in the parish of Pightlesthorne a length of 1,054 yards or thereabouts, and in the parish of Little Gaddesden a length of 64 yards or thereabouts, and being throughout of the width of 3 feet or thereabouts. 31st July.

14. Certificate by two justices, that the proposed diversion of a footpath in Hoddesdon (see *ante* No. 6) would be beneficial to the public, and that due notice of it has accordingly been given. 2nd September.
16. Plan of the proposed diversion of the said footpath.

17. Affidavit of Henry William Draper, carpenter, and Alexander McKenzie, land surveyor, of Hoddesdon, that due notice has been given of the intended diversion of the last mentioned footpath, and that the foregoing plan is correct. 2nd September.
19. Affidavit of William Beeke, of Edlesborough, police constable; Samuel Simson, of Berkhamsted Saint Peter, vestry clerk; Thomas Andrews, of Little Gaddesden, parish clerk; Walter Grover, of Hemel Hempsted, gentleman; and Thomas George, of Little Gaddesden, land surveyor, in proof of the requisite proceedings having been taken to divert and stop up a footway in Ashridge Park. 9th September.
21. Plan showing the proposed diversion of footpath through Ashridge Park.
22. Certificate by Frank John Moore and Richard Bright, two justices, that they have viewed a certain part of a footway proposed to be diverted in Ashridge Park, and that the course proposed for the new footway is nearer by 13 yards and also more commodious to the public, because it possesses easier and less steep gradients than exist in the old footway so proposed to be diverted. 9th September.
24. Certificate by two justices, that they have viewed the new footpath in Hoddesdon and that it is in good condition. 11th December.
26. Certificate by two justices, of the completion of the new footway in Ashridge Park. 23rd December.
352. Report of the finance committee, stating that in obedience to an order of the court they have reconsidered their decision not to pay the bill of £27 15s. 0d. for making a raised footpath approaching Bushey Mill Bridge Lane, which was made without authority, and recommending its payment. Epiphany.
375. Report of the visiting justices for the gaol at Hertford. Mentions, amongst other matters, a communication from the Home Office "respecting the number of photographs to be forwarded to the registrar of habitual criminals in London, in the case of prisoners convicted in England of offences against the Coinages Acts."

379. Report of the surveyor on the bridges belonging to the county, fifteen of which require general repair, namely :— Bayford Bury, Cowbridge, Holiwell, Lemsford Mill, Roxford, Brook End, Sawbridgeworth, Spellbrook, Buntingford, Chipping, New Bridge, Hoddesdon, Little Lea, Newgate Street, Ford Bridge.
439. Petition (with many signatures) against the proposed closing of the stock markets, and prohibition of the removal of stock in the county. 9th October.
459. Report of the finance committee; mentions repairs done to the Shire Hall, roads, bridges and militia stores during the last quarter.
488. Report of the visiting justices for the gaol at Hertford; mentions that the amount expended for repairs at the gaol for the past quarter is £155 6s. 4d., which includes a thorough repair of the governor's house. 31st December.
491. Report of the finance committee, stating that the bill from the county surveyor for the repair of roadways approaching to and over four county bridges amounts to £80 10s. 9d., and bills in respect of the Three Counties Lunatic Asylum to £11 19s. 6d.
499. Petition of the ratepayers of Harpenden for attaching the parish of Harpenden to the "jurisdiction" of St. Albans.
527. Accounts of the Three Counties Asylum for the last year. 9th April.
- 594 & 595. Letter to the clerk of the peace from the Home Office, ordering that, according to section 5 of the Ballot Act, 1872, a court of general sessions be assembled within 21 days from the 18th inst., for the purposes of that section, and stating that in the case of every parliamentary borough which is not municipal and not wholly situated in one petty sessional division, the general or quarter sessions of the county is the local authority for the purposes of the section. 23rd July.
597. Printed circular letter from the clerk of the peace to the justices, stating that in accordance with the foregoing letter

from the Home Office, a court of general sessions will be assembled at Hertford on the 5th of August following. 30th July.

- 598. List of candidates for the offices of governor of the prison at Hertford. 8th October.
- 600. Supplementary list of candidates for the said office.
- 614-639. Newspapers containing advertisements relating to diverting and stopping public footways. 27th July to 24th August.

BUNDLE FOR 1873.

- 1. Consent of Catherine Mellish, Thomas Brown, and John Kirby, to the diverting of the highway leading from Braughing to Furneux Felham, and also the private carriageway which runs through their lands. 29th January.
- 2. Printed notice that, on 7th April next, application will be made to the justices :—

(1) For an order for stopping up a certain portion of the public road in the parish of Braughing, which leads from Braughingbury Farm in Braughing to Furneux Pelham, commencing at the south-west corner of a close called Calves Garden, and terminating at the north-east corner of the same close, the same portion of the said road being of the length of 182 yards or thereabouts, and (reserving a footway along and over the same) for diverting and turning the same in a north-easterly direction over the said close called Calves Garden, of which said close Catherine Martha Mellish, spinster, is owner; and Thomas Brown, farmer, is occupier; the proposed new public road being in the parish of Braughing and 135 yards in length.

(2) For an order for stopping up a certain portion of the private carriage and drift road in the parish of Braughing, being the sixth private carriage and drift road set out under the Braughing Enclosure, commencing at the gateway at the east end of a close called Little Broad Mead, in the parish of Braughing, and terminating at a point on the west side of the river Quin (including the public footway and

bridleway along and over the same private carriage and drift way) and being 168 yards in length, and for diverting the same (including the said public footway and bridleway to a point situate at the distance of 66 yards or thereabouts from and on the north side of the said gateway and from thence along the north and north-west sides of the said river Quin, through and over parts of certain closes called Ives Croft, and Great Broad Mead respectively, of which said closes Catherine Margaret Mellish is the owner, and John Kirby, farmer, is the occupier, to the aforesaid point on the west side of the said river Quin; such proposed new carriage and drift road being situate in Braughing, and being 220 yards or thereabouts in length.

(3) For an order for stopping up as unnecessary a certain portion of the public carriage-road and highway called the Buntingford Road, in the parish of Braughing, commencing in the village of Braughing at the north-east corner of certain premises belonging to William Plyer Waldock and in the occupation of Jabez Traylen, and terminating at a point in the same carriageway opposite to the north-west corner of a certain allotment or close of arable land formerly part of Larksfield Common, and now or late the property of Edward Daw, esquire, and being 337 yards in length or thereabouts, reserving a footway along and over the east end thereof for a distance of 200 yards or thereabouts, and reserving to the owners of the lands on either side of the same, and their several tenants, the right of using the same as a private road and drift way, and also reserving to the said highway board and their district surveyor the right of using the same for the purpose of carting materials from any adjoining or contiguous lands. 30th January.

3. Consent of William Heard, of St. Margaret's, gentleman, to the proposed diversion of the footway leading from Hailly Lane to Woollen's Brook, in the parish of Great Amwell. (See No. 14). 4th February.
4. Certificate of Frederick Cates and Charles Frederick Adams, land surveyors, that due notice has been given of the diversion and stopping up respectively of portions of a public road in Braughing. (See No. 2). 8th February.

7. Certificate of two justices that at the request of the Hadham District Highway Board they have viewed the portion of the public road in the parish of Braughing which leads from Braughing Farm to Furneux Pelham, which it is proposed to stop up and (reserving a public footway along and over the same) to divert; and that it appeared to them that the same might be diverted as proposed and thereby made more commodious to the public by reason that a dangerous fordway and a dangerous and inconvenient footbridge on the old carriage-road, footway and bridleway will be avoided; and that they have viewed a certain portion of the Buntingford Road which it is proposed to stop up, and that it appears to them that the said piece of road is unnecessary and may be stopped up. 8th February.
8. Consent of Thomas Bagnall, of Newberries, in the parish of Theobald Street, being the owner of the lands through which it is intended to divert a certain highway, that a certain part of an old highway, being a bridleway and footway, situate in the highway parish of Theobald Street, leading from and out of the public highway there situate (leading from Radlett to Shenley) through his estate called Aldenham Lodge, into the public highway leading from Radlett to Saint Albans, containing in length 198 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 15 feet, and commencing at the spot marked A. on a plan (annexed) at a point where the said bridleway and footway adjoin a private occupation road at the westernmost corner of a certain close called Barn Meadow, and thence proceeding in a north westerly, and then in a northerly course, along the uppermost side of a certain close called Upper Marshall's Heath, and terminating at a point marked B. in the said plan, in the same close, may be diverted and turned.

The course proposed for the new bridleway and footway in lieu of the part of the old bridle and footway, proposed to be diverted, being of the length of 187 yards, 1 foot, 6 inches or thereabouts, and of the mean width of 15 feet, commencing at the point marked A. on the plan, and proceeding north eastward of the old bridle and footway in a north-westerly direction across the close, called Upper Marshall's

Heath, and terminating at the point marked B. on the plan, which proposed new bridle and footway is nearer to the public than the old bridle and footway, proposed to be diverted, by 31 feet, 6 inches. 29th March.

10. Consent of Emily Ann Eleonora Hanmer, spinster, of Ponfield, and Benjamin Young, of Hertford, to the diversion of the public highway between Hertford and Little Berkhamstead through a close called Fell Hedges in the latter parish, of which the said Miss Hanmer is the owner and the said Benjamin, the occupier, and a close called Six Acres, of which Miss Hanmer is the owner and occupier. Miss Hanmer also consents to the diversion of part of a public highway between Pondfield and Bayford through a close called Pondfield, in Little Berkhamstead, of which she is the owner and occupier. (See Nos. 19 and 20). 8th April.
12. Consent of Edward Thomas Daniell and of the trustees of the settlement made on his marriage with Anne Emma, his wife, to the diversion of part of a public highway between Hertford and Little Berkhamstead, through a close of land of which the said trustees are the owners, and Mr. Daniell the occupier. (See Nos. 19 and 20). 14th April.
14. Notice of application to the justices, for an order for diverting and stopping up so much of a certain footway leading from Hailey Lane to Woollen's Brook, as extends along the north and east side of a field called Little Hailey Field, and being of the length of 1,041 feet, situate in the parish of Great Amwell, and for setting out in lieu thereof a new footway along the west side of the same field, joining the present footway at the north-west and south-west corners respectively of the said field, of which William Heard is the owner and occupier, and which proposed new footway is of the length of 764 feet or thereabouts, being 277 feet shorter, and more commodious to the public than that part of the existing footway proposed to be diverted and stopped up. 8th March.
15. Affidavit of George Worboys, Hertford, solicitor's clerk, Alexander Chalmers-Benger, surveyor, and Thomas Rookley,

Ware, overseer, in proof of requisite proceedings to divert and stop up a footway in the parish of Great Amwell. 19th April.

17. Plan of the proposed diversion of a footpath in the parish of Great Amwell.
18. Certificate by Henry John Brown and Edward Hamilton Hoskins, two justices, that they have viewed the public footway in the parish of Great Amwell, proposed to be diverted and stopped up, and that they find the proposed new public footway is 277 feet nearer, and more commodious, to the public than the old public footway. 22nd April.
19. Plan showing proposed diversion of roads in Little Berkhamstead. (See Nos. 19 and 20).
20. Printed notice that on the 30th June next, application will be made to the justices for an order to divert part of a public carriageway leading from Hertford to Little Berkhamstead, and being in the latter parish, for a distance of about 1,510 feet; and to make a carriageway, beginning at a point in the said highway at the north-east corner of a close of land called the Fell Hedges and immediately south of a public-house there called the "Robin's Nest," in the occupation of William Brooks, and extending thence in a south-easterly direction over the close called Fell Hedges, in Little Berkhamstead, of which Emily Ann Eleonora Hanmer is the owner, and Benjamin Young the occupier; and then in the same direction over a close called Six Acres, of which the said Miss Hanmer is the owner and the occupier, and then in the same direction over a close called the Paddock with Broomfield, of which the trustees of the marriage settlement of Edward Thomas Daniell, esquire, are the owners, and Edward Thomas Daniell is the occupier, into and terminating at or near a point in the present highway 91 feet south of a gate leading from the Paddock with Broomfield into the said highway, and 90 feet north of a gate leading from a close called Blue Ball into the said highway.

Application will, at the same time, be made to stop up the part of the present highway that extends from the said point immediately south of the said "Robin's Nest" public-

house to the said point where the proposed new highway will join the present highway, a distance of 1,510 feet. The new highway will be 1,396 feet long, 114 feet shorter than the present highway.

Notice is further given that, at the same time and place, application will be made for an order to divert a part of a public carriageway leading from Pondfield to Bayford, and in the parish of Little Berkhamstead, for a distance of 495 feet as follows:—That a new carriageway should be made, beginning at the point before-mentioned in the present highway from Hertford to Little Berkhamstead, 91 feet south of the gate leading from the Paddock with Broomfield, and 90 feet south of the gate leading from Blue Ball, and extending thence in an easterly direction over the latter close, of which Benjamin Young is the owner, and Arthur Cecil Daniell, esquire, the occupier, and then in the same direction over a close called Pondfield, of which the said Miss Hanmer is the owner and occupier, and terminating at a point in the present highway from Ponfield to Bayford, 495 feet south-east of the junction of the latter highway with the present highway from Hertford to Little Berkhamstead.

Application will, at the same time, be made to stop up that part of the said present highway extending from the said junction to a point 495 feet south-east thereof, as it will be rendered unnecessary by the proposed diversion abovesaid.

Notice is further given that, at the same time and place, application will be made for an order to stop up such part of a public footway in Little Berkhamstead, extending along the south side of the close called Fell Hedges, as lies between the proposed new carriageway and the existing highway from Hertford to Little Berkhamstead, a distance of about 172 feet, as it will be rendered unnecessary by the proposed diversion abovesaid.

Notice is further given that, at the same time and place, application will also be made for an order to stop up a public footway in Little Berkhamstead, beginning at the said highway from Hertford to Little Berkhamstead at the north-

west corner of a close called Great Blue Ball, and extending along the north side of the said close to the north-east corner and then turning at right angles into the close called Pondfield, and extending along the east side thereof into and terminating at the present highway from Pondfield to Bayfield at the point where the proposed new highway from Pondfield to Bayford will join the existing highway, the said footway being about 775 feet long, as it will be rendered unnecessary by the proposed diversion abovesaid. 26th April.

24. Notice of application to the justices for an order for diverting and stopping up a bridle and footway through Aldenham Lodge estate. 28th April.
26. Plan showing the abovesaid proposed deviation.
27. Consent of Benjamin Young, esquire, to the diversion of the highway between Pondfield and Bayford through a close called Blue Ball in Little Berkhamstead, of which he is the owner, and Arthur Cecil Daniell, esquire, is the occuper. (See Nos. 19 and 20). 15th May.
29. Declaration of John Jeavons Cox, of Watford, surveyor, as to the correctness of the plan (see *ante* No. 26) of the bridle and footway through Aldenham Lodge, to be stopped up, and of that to be substituted in lieu thereof. 20th May.
40. Affidavit of Richard Ambrose, gardener, of Pondfield, in the parish of Little Berkhamstead, that due notice has been given of the proposed diversion of roads in the said parish. (See Nos. 19 and 20). 29th May.
42. Certificate that William Robert Baker and William Clinton Baker, two justices, have viewed the above-mentioned roads and approved the proposed diversions. 29th May.
44. Certificate by Charles Augustus Barnes, of Rickmansworth, and the Reverend Alleyne H. Barker, of Rickmansworth, two justices, that they have viewed the public bridle and footway through Aldenham Lodge, proposed to be diverted, and that they find the proposed new bridle and footway is nearer by 10 yards 1 foot than the old one. 30th May.

46. Consent of Catherine Martha Mellish and John Kirby to the making of a new way through their land in the parish of Braughing, "provided permission is given to them for the removal of the present wooden footbridge and stopping up the ford."
47. Notice that, on the 13th of October, application will be made to the justices for an order for stopping up a portion of the "sixth private carriage and drift road in Braughing." 1st August.
48. Certificate by the Rev. A. H. Barker and C. A. Barnes, esquire, two justices, of the completion of the new bridle and foot-way through Aldenham Lodge. 8th August.
50. Certificate by Salisbury Baxendale and Samuel Betts, two justices, that they have viewed the public footway and bridleway in the parish of Braughing, proposed to be diverted, as also the line of the proposed new highway, and that they find the latter will be more commodious to the public, inasmuch as a dangerous fordway and a dangerous footbridge in the old highway will be avoided, and the public will have a safer and more convenient way. See (Nos. 2 and 46). 9th September.
51. Certificate by H. J. Brown and E. H. Hoskins, of the completion of the new footway in the parish of Great Amwell. (See No. 14). 23rd September.
55. Certificate that a proposed diversion of certain highways in Little Berkhamstead has been carried out, and that two justices have viewed the new roads and approved the condition of the same. (See Nos. 19 and 20). 27th November.
422. Indictment of Walter Frederick Evans, *alias* George Crook, charged with fraudulently obtaining a post-office order for £1 through an advertisement in the "Exchange and Mart" newspaper, stating that he had some valuable fowls to sell. Found guilty and sentenced to two months' imprisonment with hard labour. 13th October.
448. Indictment of Frederick Terry, charged with unlawfully uttering a counterfeit sovereign at the Plough Inn at Tring. Found guilty and sentenced to nine months' imprisonment with hard labour. 27th December.

- 452. Report of the finance committee with reference to the Military Forces Localization Act, 1872. Epiphany Sessions.
- 454. Report of the parliamentary committee of the justices with reference to the Bill for the appointment of a public prosecutor and the better administration of justice. Epiphany Sessions.
- 457. Recommending the appointment of Dr. Henry Letheby and Dr. Meynott Tidy as county analysts under the Adulteration Act of 1872. Epiphany Sessions.
- 466. Schedule of deeds laid before the court by the clerk of the peace, pursuant to Standing Order No. 64. Epiphany Sessions.
- 468. Report of the polling districts committee. Epiphany Sessions.
- 486. Special report of the governor of the gaol, suggesting various alterations, concerning the issuing of stores, etc., the warder and matron's salaries (present scale and suggested increase stated), the prisoners' food, employment of prisoners, and other things.
- 501. Report of the chief constable. 8th April.
- 505. Printed report by the governor of the prison on the proposal to introduce a system of industrial labour, describing various forms of suitable labour, and minute by the chairman of the visiting justices on the same. 7th May.
- 514. Report of the county surveyor, stating that the Cheshunt Trust, the roads of which extended in this county from Waltham Cross to Ware and from Hoddesdon to Hertford, and the Wadesmill Trust, the roads of which extended from Ware to the borders of the county at Royston, and from Puckeridge to the borders of the county beyond Barkway, expired on 1st November, 1872.

He states that the county is liable for the repair of all bridges on these roads that have been previously repaired by the Trusts. The following have been repaired by the Cheshunt Trust:—

An old timber bridge in Waltham Lane leading from the Cross to the Abbey.

A brick culvert at Turner's Hill.

A brick culvert at the north end of Cheshunt Street.

A brick culvert between Hoddesdon and Ware, near the cross lane to Stanstead.

A brick culvert at Cross Brook Street near the entrance to Theobald's Park.

A brick culvert between Hoddesdon and Haileybury College.

A brick culvert at Hertford Heath.

A brick culvert at Jenningsbury, near Hertford.

The Wadesmill Trust have from time to time repaired two bridges between Hare Street and Barkway, for the last time in 1858, and also ten or twelve culverts; of these, only Waltham Lane bridge requires immediate attention; it is an old timber structure and in an unsafe condition. Previous to 1st November, 1872, the Trust placed struts beneath it to give it support, since that time a portion of it fell in and was repaired, under protest, by the Cheshunt Local Board who now charge the county with the cost of it. The Surveyor considers the bridge past repair, and recommends the construction in its place of an iron girder bridge with brick abutments, parapets and wing walls, the cost of which he estimates at not less than £200. 5th April.

521. Report of the county surveyor on the county bridges, stating that he has surveyed the fifty-three bridges which up to this time have belonged to the county, sixteen of which require repair; he estimates the cost of these repairs at £42. He has also surveyed the fourteen bridges and culverts on what was the Cheshunt Trust, and forty on what was the Wadesmill Trust, all of which now, upon the abolition of the said Trusts, fall upon the county. These structures all require repair, the cost of which he estimates as under £340. He states that he has no doubt, from the evidence he has obtained, that the Trusts were responsible for and did repair these bridges. He gives the following lists, stating what he estimates each bridge will cost to repair.

County Bridges requiring repair.

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| Hoddesdon bridge. | Sawbridgeworth. |
| Spital Brook bridge. | Southmill. |
| Cheshunt Wash bridge. | Welwyn. |
| Newgate Street bridge. | Bayford. |
| Chipping bridge. | Berkhamstead. |
| Sandon Lane. | Holiwell. |
| Watford bridge. | Hertingfordbury. |
| Gregg's bridge. | Walton bridge. |

Bridges coming on the county by the abolition of the Cheshunt Trust.

Theobald's Lane culvert.
 Turner's Hill culvert
 Cheshunt Street bridge.
 Cheshunt Street culvert.
 Cheshunt Wash culvert.
 Hailey Brook culvert.
 Haileybury College barrel drain (1).
 Haileybury College barrel drain (2).
 Townshend Arms culvert (no repair).
 Jenningsbury culvert.
 Jenningsbury barrel drain.
 Balls Park Lodge culvert.
 Stanstead cross roads culvert.
 Waltham Lane bridge.

Bridges coming on the county by the abolition of the Wadesmill Trust.

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| Plashe's culvert. | Therfield culvert. |
| Collier's End culvert. | Windmill culvert. |
| Little Plashe's culvert. | London Hill culvert. |
| Puckeridge culvert. | Newell Hill culvert. |
| Hammell's Lodge culvert. | Barley Village culvert. |
| Cole's Lodge culvert. | Barley culvert. |
| Cole's Vale culvert. | Smyth's End culvert. |
| Cole's Hill culvert. | Barley Bottom culvert. |
| South-west Mill culvert. | Newsell's Bury culvert. |
| North-west Mill culvert. | Barkway culvert. |

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| Owle's culvert. | Biggin bridge. |
| Buntingford culvert. | Stapleton bridge. |
| Cowneybury culvert. | Anstey Mill culvert. |
| Cowney Burrows culvert. | Hormead Mill culvert. |
| Hide Hall culvert. | Hare Street culvert. |
| Buckland Village culvert. | Mutford's culvert. |
| Buckland culvert. | Dassell's culvert. |
| Reed Wood culvert. | Hobb's Farm culvert. |
| Reed End culvert. | High Street culvert. |
| Mole's culvert. | Puckeridge Bar culvert. |

525. Report of the justices' clerks' committee. The table of fees adopted last session had been forwarded to the Home Secretary, and he had rejected it, recommending another table of fees in its stead. The committee recommend that this last-mentioned be not adopted. Annexed is a copy of correspondence between the Home Secretary and the Clerk of the Peace. Midsummer Sessions.
534. Report of the standing orders committee, submitting, for the approval of the justices, amendments that they have made to the standing orders for the conduct of county business. July.
536. Report of the parliamentary committee, particularly with reference to the Public Prosecutor's Bill. Midsummer Sessions.
551. Chief constable's report. 1st July.
555. List of pauper lunatics in the Three Counties Asylum. 1st July.
569. Printed notice in reference to the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869, containing special instructions with regard to Barnet Fair issued at a meeting of the executive committee. 30th August.
570. Printed notice with reference to the same Act, containing regulations, orders and instructions, in addition to the special instructions above, adopted at a meeting of the executive committee. 30th August.
572. Report of the justices on the introduction of industrial labour into the county prison. Midsummer Sessions.

582. Report of the executive committee with reference to the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869, chiefly in regard to a new order in Council. Michaelmas Sessions.
586. Report of the committee, appointed to confer with any committee which may be nominated on behalf of the Liberty of St. Albans, to consider and report in what manner a re-arrangement of the boundaries of the county and liberty can best be effected with a view to public convenience, and on the steps necessary for that purpose; and also for a fusion of the two jurisdictions so as to form two divisions of the county. Michaelmas Sessions.
596. Report of the chaplain of the gaol, advocating the introduction of industrial labour into the prison. 14th October.
598. Report of the chief constable. 14th October.
603. Petition of the Marquess of Salisbury, chairman of the justices of the peace for the county of Hertford, to the House of Commons, praying that, in view of the increase of cattle disease and the outbreak of cattle plague or rinderpest in the East Riding of Yorkshire during September last, measures may be adopted to secure the slaughter of all fat animals imported, and a sufficient quarantine of all store stock imported from abroad at the port of landing. Epiphany Sessions.
609. Considerations, submitted by the justices of the Liberty of St. Albans to the committee of the two jurisdictions, relative to a division or exchange of the present boundaries.
- 613-628. Petition of inhabitants of the Hundred of Dacorum (signed) to the justices, praying that the whole or part of the said hundred may be united to the Liberty of St. Albans.
- 712-719. Newspapers containing advertisements connected with the diversion of a footpath in Amwell. 15th March—5th April.
744. Printed synopsis of scheme for a fusion of the jurisdictions of the County and Liberty of St. Albans, so as to form two divisions of the county.

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4. Consent of the Master, Fellows, and Scholars of Trinity College, Cambridge, to the diversion of Salter's Dell footpath, in the township of Hitchin. 25th April.
5. Notice of application to the justices, for an order to divert the foregoing footpath—leading from a road called the Bedford Road, at the north-west of a certain field (formerly part of a close known as Salter's Dell), into and across the said field, into another field, known as Seven Acres, which said two fields adjoin a road called the Old Park Road on the west—by turning the said footpath from a point near to a stile at the south end of the first-named field, along the west side of the said Old Park Road into the said Bedford Road. 29th April.
6. Certificate by Thomas Alexander Dashwood and Thomas R. Wilson, two justices, that they have viewed the aforesaid footpath and the new highway resolved to be made in lieu thereof; and that they consider the new highway will be more commodious to the public, because the old highway was obstructed by a gate and a stile, that it was not liable to be repaired by the township, and (being low) for a great part of the year was very wet and dirty; whereas the new highway will be high and dry, and adjoins a much frequented public road, thereby greatly increasing the accommodation of the public. 29th May.
8. Plan showing the said proposed diversion.
9. Depositions as to the correctness of the said plan; the posting of notices; and the insertion of advertisements in the newspapers. 29th May.
12. Consent of Joseph Grant Williams, of Chequer's Court, Bucks, that a certain footway situate in the parish of Aldbury, in, through, over, and along the lands in his possession and occupation known as Pedley Park and Beach Mount, of the aggregate length of 919 yards and of a width varying from one to four feet, leading out of the public road near the Canal bridge at Pendley through Pendley Park and Beech Mount, to a point at the east corner of Coney Burrows

Wood, in the parish of Tring, may be diverted and turned in the course and direction herein described; namely, the course proposed for the new footway, in lieu of the old footway proposed to be diverted, commences at the public road leading to New Ground near the Canal bridge at Pendley, thence over the lands in the occupation of the said Joseph Grant Williams, known as New Ground Field and Beech Mount, in a south-westerly direction, and terminates at the east corner of Coney Burrows Wood, of the aggregate length of 831 yards and average width of 3 feet. 10th July.

14. Notice to the surveyors of the highways of the parish of Aldbury of Mr. Williams's desire to stop up, divert and turn the said footway. 10th July.
16. Notice by the churchwardens of Aldbury of a vestry to consider the matter. 10th July.
18. Minute of the vestry meeting, agreeing to Mr. Williams's proposal to divert the said footway; and order to the surveyors in pursuance thereof, and request of the surveyors to two justices to view footway in pursuance of the order. 17th July.
20. Order by two justices accordingly. 24th July.
25. Consent of Richard Birley Baxendale, of Blackmore End, in the parish of Kimpton, to the diversion of two highways and a footpath through his lands. 31st July.
30. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order to stop up, divert, and turn a public highway in the parishes of Kimpton and Wheathampstead, "leading from and out of a certain public highway leading from Gustard Wood, in the said parish of Wheathampstead, to Kimpton aforesaid, at the point in the last-mentioned public highway, leading from Gustard Wood to Marshall's Heath and other places in the said parishes of Wheathampstead and Kimpton, and continuing thence in a south-western direction to the public highway leading from Kimpton to Marshall's Heath aforesaid and other places, in the said county of Herts., to the point where the said public highway so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, joins the said public highway leading

from Kimpton to Marshall's Heath aforesaid."* Which said highway so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, is about $1,534\frac{1}{2}$ yards long, and of an average width of about 9 feet 6 inches, and is wholly situated in the parishes of Kimpton and Wheathampstead, the boundary of which parishes divides the said road in the centre.

The proposed new road is to be situated entirely within the parish of Wheathampstead, commencing at a point in the highway leading from Gustard Wood Common to Kimpton and other places, and continuing thence in a south-westerly direction to the highway leading from Kimpton to Marshall's Heath and other places at the junction of the said highway leading from Raisin's Farm in Wheathampstead; which proposed new road is to be about 1,608 yards long, and the average width of about 20 feet.

Application will also be made for an order for stopping up, diverting, and turning a public footpath in Kimpton and Wheathampstead, the part of the said footpath which is in Kimpton, leading from the last-mentioned highway which it is proposed to stop up, at a point where the said footpath crosses it, leading thence to Kimpton and then continuing in a northerly direction to the point where it joins the public highway leading from Marshall's Heath to Kimpton, which part of the footpath is about 658 yards long; and the part which is in Wheathampstead leading from the highway which it is proposed to stop up at a point where it is crossed by the said footpath which leads thence to Marshall's Heath and other places, and then continues in a southerly direction to the point where it will join the proposed new road. This part of the footpath is about 160 yards long, and about 3 feet wide.

The public footpath so diverted will commence on the public highway from Kimpton to Marshall's Heath at the point where the said footpath is proposed to be diverted, and continue thence in a southerly direction along the said highway to the point in it where the proposed new road is to be made, and thence in an easterly direction along the said new road for about 240 yards to the point where the

* The words are quoted as the original is badly expressed, and the sense obscure.

said footpath is in the parish of Wheathampstead. 31st July.

31. Certificate by two justices of the completion of a new highway in the township of Hitchin. (See No. 5). 25th August.
32. Certificate of two justices that they have viewed the new footpath in Kimpton and Wheathampstead and approve the same. (See No. 30). 31st August.
36. Affidavit of Albert Rowden, solicitor's clerk, and James Ley Waldon, surveyor, of Newington Green Road, that due notice has been given of the proposed diversion of two highways and a footpath in Kimpton and Wheathampstead, and that the annexed plans are correct. (See 42 and 43). 31st August.
38. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed the new highway, etc., in Kimpton and Wheathampstead, and approve of them. 31st August.
- 42 & 43. Plans of the proposed diversion of two highways and a footpath in Kimpton and Wheathampstead.
44. Plan of proposed deviation of footpath on the Pendley Manor Estate. (See No. 12).
48. Certificate by Frank John Moore and Charles Stanton Hadden, two justices, that they have viewed the existing footway at Pendley Park, proposed to be diverted, as also the course for the new footway in lieu thereof; and that they consider the latter will be more commodious to the public, because it is a more direct communication to Wiggington and Tring railway station. 31st August.
49. Affidavit of surveyors in proof of requisite proceedings having been taken to divert and stop up the footway at Pendley. 31st August.
51. Schedule of documents, relating to the diversion of the footway in Pendley Park, deposited with the clerk of the peace. 1st September.
- 52a. Request of Francis Orris Gosselin, owner of land in the parish of Ware, to the Hadham Highway Board, to stop up a footway leading out of a lane adjoining the high road

leading out of the high road of (*sic*) Ware and Widford, and notice for summoning a vestry of inhabitants of Ware to consider such request. (See No. 9 in Bundle for 1875). 4th December.

582. Indictment of Richard Moule, George Gray, and George Boivin, for stealing a herring. Found guilty and sentenced. Moule to three months' imprisonment with hard labour, and Gray and Boivin to one month's imprisonment with hard labour. 19th October.
603. Schedule of deeds laid before the court by the clerk of the peace, pursuant to Standing Order No. 64. Epiphany Sessions.
607. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
618. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 6th January.
623. Report of the justices appointed to inspect the Shire Hall and Record Room at Hertford:—"The record room is becoming too small for its purpose. We think it right to call the attention of the court to the fact that, although this room has been constructed with every care to make it proof against fire, yet from the circumstances of its being upstairs, it cannot be deemed to be fireproof." Epiphany Sessions.
646. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 8th April.
667. County surveyor's report upon the county bridges, states that the county half of Little Lee Bridge, Waltham, erected in 1856 was damaged by a locomotive engine crossing it, and has been repaired. The liberty half of Bushey Mill Bridge requiring repairs, the surveyor at the same time repaired the county half. The following bridges need repairs:—

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| Poplar's Green. | Chipping. |
| Digswell. | Roxford. |
| Stanborough. | Newgate Street. |
| Hatfield. | Water Hall. |
| Spital Brook. | Brook End. |
| Cheshunt Wash. | Roydon. |

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|-----------------|----------------|
| Little Lee. | Hadham Mill. |
| Walton Moor. | Sawbridgworth. |
| Wadesmill. | Spell Brook. |
| Gregg's Bridge. | South Mill. |
| Sandon Lane. | |

Midsummer Sessions.

- 671. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 30th June.
- 676. List of pauper lunatics in the Three Counties Asylum. 1st July.
- 690. Approval by the Home Secretary of the suggestions contained in a report on industrial labour in the county prison, which had been submitted to quarter sessions by the visiting justices. 14th August.
- 705. Report of the county surveyor on the bridges and culverts of the county, stating that a notice-board has been fixed to each of the county bridges concerning the passage of locomotives over them, at a total cost of £129. 20th October.
- 707. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 20th October.
- 711. Report of the chaplain of the gaol. 20th October.
- 713. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Report of the executive committee, stating that there has been an outbreak of pleuro-pneumonia in Hertfordshire during the past quarter. 20th October.
- 725. Reports of visiting justices of the prison. Contains a letter from the governor, suggesting that he should be entrusted with a certain sum as a permanent advance for the purpose of buying raw materials for the execution of industrial labour. It is recommended that this be done to the extent of not more than £300.
- 728. Scheme submitted by the visiting justices of the prison to the Secretary of State, for the introduction of industrial labour into the prison.
- 806. Report of the surveyor, Hertford, that the expenditure for the repair of the bridges (formerly repaired by trustees of turnpike roads) now ordered by the divisional justices to be carried out under his superintendence, will be as follows :—

| Division. | No. of Bridges. | Sums to be spent. |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Odsey | 6 | £26 10s. 0d. |
| Buntingford | 8 | £60 0s. 0d. |
| Cheshunt | 6 | £30 0s. 0d. |
| Ware | 11 | £55 0s. 0d. |
| Hertford | 3 | £30 0s. 0d. |
| | 34 | £201 10s. 0d. |

Epiphany Sessions.

811. Reply of the Home Secretary, to a request of the visiting justices of the county prison at Hertford, that the use of Australian preserved meat might be sanctioned as an article of diet for prisoners, stating that he would consider the justices' proposal. 1st April.
815. Report of surveyor that he has made the necessary repairs to the bridges, authorised by the divisional justices, at an outlay not exceeding £201 10s. 0d., and has presented bills to the finance committee for such repairs, to the amount of £164 18s. 8d. (See No. 806). 7th April.
837. Copy of correspondence on the subject of providing a new lock-up at Watford. 14th July.
844. Letter from the Home Secretary to the clerk of the peace on the subject of the appropriation of fines imposed by justices sitting in the outer part of the Metropolitan police district. Mr. Secretary Cross considers that the best method of adjusting the claims of the home counties in respect of monies which under the decision in the case of the Receiver *v.* Bell, would appear to have been wrongly appropriated, will be that as no penalties inflicted during 1872 and 1873 have as yet been paid to the Receiver of the Metropolitan police, the authorities of the county should forego their claims founded on that decision, upon condition of their being allowed to retain the whole of such penalties; it being understood that the regulations for the future disposition of

finest should take effect from 1st January, 1874. 26th August.

- 846. Circular letter of the Home Secretary, urging that strenuous efforts should be made to protect the telegraph wires and insulators on the high roads, from damage caused by the wanton mischief of stone-throwing, and that directions be issued to the police to use every possible precaution for the prevention of such offences. 24th September.
- 856. Letter to the Marquis of Salisbury, chairman of Hertford Quarter Sessions, from Mr. A. McKenzie, making an application that a bridge between Hoddesdon and Roydon, over the river Lea, which has fallen into decay, may be rebuilt by the two counties of Hertford and Essex in equal proportions, and submitting that it would not be fair to tax the adjoining parishes for the public benefit of so extensive a nature. 15th October.
- 875-882. Newspapers containing advertisements as to the diversion of a highway in Hitchin. 1st—23rd May.
- 883-894. The like as to the diversion of public footpath in Kimpton and Wheathampstead. 1st—22nd August.

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- 4. Consent of William John Marjoribanks Loftus Otway, of Otway Towers, in the parish of Aldenham, and John Watlington Perry Watlington, of Moor Hall, in the county of Essex, to the diversion of a highway in Aldenham through their lands. (See No. 6). 12th January.
- 6. Printed notice that, on the 6th of April next, application will be made to the justices at St. Albans for an order for stopping up, diverting and turning part of a public highway within the Watford highway district, near Caldecote Hill, in the parish of Aldenham, leading to Aldenham and other places from a highway leading from Bushey to Elstree; commencing at the point marked A. on the plan (see No. 37), where the said highway leading to Aldenham, etc., joins the said highway leading from Bushey to Elstree, and

terminating at the point marked B. on the plan, where the proposed new highway joins the said highway leading to Aldenham, etc. (which part proposed to be diverted is coloured brown on the plan) containing in length about 207 yards 2 feet, and being of an average width of about 30 feet.

The proposed new course is also situated within the parish of Aldenham, and is about 206 yards 2 feet long by 30 feet wide. It is to commence at a point in the said highway leading from Bushey to Elstree, marked C. on the plan, and proceed thence in a northerly direction across certain garden ground belonging to Mr. Otway, and thence across a close of land belonging to Messrs. Watlington and Otway, and terminate at the said point in the said highway leading to Aldenham, etc., marked B. on the plan. The proposed new highway is coloured pink on the plan, and is one yard nearer and more commodious to the public than the old one. 26th January.

9. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order to stop up the following paths :—

(1). A certain path and footway leading out of a certain lane adjoining the high road of Ware and Widford, and leading therefrom to a plantation called Godden Shaw and Hen Shaw, and which said pathway commences in the south-west corner of a certain field called Little Warren, part of Blakesware Farm, in the said parish, and numbered 1,195 on the tithe map of the said parish, and continues in a curved line across the said field on the west side at a distance ranging from 12 to 22 yards from the hedge for a distance of 172 yards or thereabouts to another gateway in the north-west corner of the said field, and passes through such gate into a field called Row of Oaks (numbered 1,189 and 1,190 on the tithe map), then turns to the east, passing along the side of the hedge on the south side of the field for a distance of 64 yards or thereabouts, then turning towards the north for about 6 yards, passes through another gate leading into a field called Bushes Ley (numbered 1,203 on the tithe map), then making a turn in a northerly direction and proceeding along and close to the ditch on the west side

of such field for a distance of 384 yards or thereabouts, to the northern boundary of the said field called Bushes Ley, and at that point entering a field called Farrow Ley, and turning at right angles to the east and west proceeds along the south side of Farrow Ley; that part of the path leading west proceeding for a distance of 58 yards or thereabouts until it joins another path hereinafter described, and that part of the path turning to the east, proceeding close to the ditch in a curved line for a distance of about 220 yards along the south side of Farrow Ley to the east side of the said field and thence for a distance of 154 yards, turning at a right angle towards the north, skirting a certain spinney called Home Shaw to a gate through which it passes into a field called Farrow Ley (numbered 1,212 on the tithe map), at the south-west corner thereof, and passes diagonally in a north-easterly direction for a distance of 260 yards or thereabouts, across the middle of the said field, passing through a gate into a lane leading from Blakesware Farm to Noblin Green.

(2). Another path or footway, leading to the last-described footway, from the north-east corner of a field known as Brick Mead, also parcel of the said Blakesware (numbered 1,179 on the tithe map), and passing through a gateway there into a field called Quarters (numbered 1,192, 1,193, and 1,194 on the tithe map), and turning at a right angle northwards for a distance of about $6\frac{1}{2}$ yards through a gateway into the said field called Row of Oaks and again turning eastwards, proceeds along the south side of the said field for a distance of 66 yards or thereabouts, and then bearing towards the north and north-east along the boundary of the said field for a distance of 220 yards, until it joins the before-described footpath in the said field called Row of Oaks.

(3). A certain other path commencing at a gateway on the south-east side of the said field called Brick Mead (numbered 1,179 on the tithe map) and continuing in a northerly direction on the east side of, and near the hedge which divides Brick Mead from Quarters for a distance of 331 yards, to a gate leading into a field called Brickyard

part of Middle Mead (numbered 1,180 on the tithe map), and proceeding due north along the east side of the said field until it enters another part of the said field called Middle Mead, and continuing on the east side of Middle Mead, bearing slightly to the north and skirting a wood called Sheepcote Field Wood for a distance of 358 yards, until it enters another field called Upper Mead (numbered 1,187 on the tithe map), and proceeding along the east side thereof for a distance of 302 yards, and skirting Sheepcote Field Wood until it enters into the field called Farrow Ley, and then turning due west for a distance of 53 yards, along the south side of Farrow Ley, turns at a right angle due north, and proceeds along the west side of the field called Farrow Ley for a distance of 348 yards or thereabouts, to the north side of the field where it joins another pathway leading from Blakesware Farm to Noblin Green ; and

(4.) Two other paths commencing respectively in the centre and on the west side of Brick Mead, at a junction with another path and each proceeding diagonally across Brick Mead to the centre of the said field, and there joining and forming one path which proceeds for a distance of 154 yards or thereabouts, to the north-east corner of the said field. 5th February.

10. Affidavit of Harvey Winson Fellows, gentleman, of Rickmansworth, and Zachariah Hollier, of Bushey, rate collector, that due notice has been given of the proposed diversion of a highway in Aldenham. (See No. 6). 23rd February.
12. Certificate of two justices that they have viewed the course of the proposed diversion of a highway in Aldenham, and approve of the same. 23rd February.
13. Declaration of Jennings Warner Wells, road surveyor, of Caldecote Hill, in the parish of Bushey, as to the correctness of a plan of a diversion of a road in Aldenham. (See No. 6). 23rd February.
17. Copy of notice for convening a vestry meeting of inhabitants of Ware, for considering the proposal to stop up certain footpaths in the parish of Ware. (See No. 9). 6th March.
21. Copy of minutes of such meeting.

25. Copy of order of chairman of vestry to the Hadham Highway Board, directing them to apply to two justices of the peace to view the footpaths resolved to be stopped up. (See No. 9). 6th March.
28. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed the several footpaths in the parish of Ware resolved to be entirely stopped up, and that they approve of the proposal because there are other footpaths in the parish which are more direct and convenient to the public. (See No. 9). 6th March.
29. Plan of Mrs. Gosselin's Blakesware estate, showing the footpaths proposed to be stopped up. (See No. 9).
- 29a. Depositions of Henry Beningsfield, surveyor, George Gisby, solicitor, and John H. Smith, messenger, that the plan of the Blakesware estate is correct. (See No. 9). 6th March.
31. Certificate by two justices of the completion of the diversion of a highway in Kimpton and Wheathampstead. (See 1874, No. 30). 1st April.
32. Similar certificate of the completion of the diversion of a footpath in Kimpton and Wheathampstead. (See 1874, No. 30). 1st April.
35. Certificate by two justices of the completion of the diversion of a highway in Aldenham. 22nd June.
37. Plan of the diversion of a highway in Aldenham. (See *ante* No. 6).
490. Report of court house repairs committee of the liberty of St. Albans. Epiphany.
492. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 11th January.
496. Report of the financial committee of the liberty of St. Alban division. Refers to payments made in regard to building the new gaol. Epiphany.
500. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 30th June.
506. Report of the joint committee appointed to report to the court what is the effect of the County of Hertford and Liberty of St. Alban Act on the existing conditions of things in the county and liberty. Epiphany.

509. Report of the visiting justices of the prison at St. Albans, containing a copy of their reply to the circular letter of the Secretary of State as to the repression of crime. 7th January.
515. Report of the joint committee appointed to report to the court what re-arrangement of the petty sessional divisions is desirable in consequence of the passing of the County of Hertford and Liberty of St. Alban Act. Epiphany.
524. Report of the court house repairs committee of the Liberty of St. Alban division, concerning the proposed alteration of the court house. Easter.
531. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 8th April.
533. Report of the county finance committee. Recommends that the duties of the county surveyor should in future extend over the whole county, and include the two gaols and all county buildings, and that the salary should be £120 per annum. 13th October.
543. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 21st October.
548. Report of the committee appointed to revise and adapt the standing orders. 30th June.
574. Annual report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum.
693. Recommendation of justices of the peace to the clerk of the peace, that the parishes of Shenley and Totteridge, now forming the Shenley division of special sessions in the county of Herts, should be taken out of the same petty sessional division and annexed to the Chipping Barnet division of special sessions in the same county; and that these parishes, together with those of Chipping Barnet, East Barnet, Elstree, and Ridge, should be formed into a division for which special sessions should henceforward be held. The special sessional divisions of Chipping Barnet and Shenley only will be affected by the proposed alteration. 2nd January.
595. Recommendation of justices of the peace to the clerk of the peace that the following parishes, now comprised within the

St. Albans division of special sessions, should be taken out of that division and annexed to the undermentioned special sessional division in the same county in the following manner, viz.:—

| Places to be taken from the St. Albans Petty Sessional division. | To be respectively annexed to the undermentioned Petty Sessional divisions. |
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| Braintfield. Codicote. Hexton. Newnham. Norton. Paul's Walden. Shephall. | Hertford. Welwyn. Hitchin. Odsey. Stevenage. Hitchin. Stevenage. |

The special petty sessional divisions of Hertford, Welwyn, Hitchin, Odsey, Stevenage and St. Albans only will be affected by the proposed alterations. 2nd January.

698. Recommendation of justices to the clerk of the peace that the following parishes, now comprised within the Dacorum (or Great Berkhamstead) division of special sessions in the county of Hertford, should be taken out of that division and be annexed to the undermentioned special sessional divisions in the same county, in the following manner, viz.:—

| Places to be taken from Dacorum Petty Sessional division. | To be respectively annexed to the undermentioned Petty Sessional divisions. |
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| Bushey. Harpenden. Leavesden. Theobald Street. Wheathampstead, | Watford. St. Albans. Watford. Watford. St. Albans. |

That the parishes of Harpenden and Wheathampstead will, together with the parishes of Redbourn, St. Michael, St. Peter, St. Stephen, and Sandridge, now comprised

within the special sessional division of St. Albans, constitute a convenient and proper division, within which special sessions should henceforward be held. That the parishes of Leavesden, Bushey, and Theobald Street will, together with the parishes now constituting the special sessional division of Watford, form a convenient and proper division within which special sessions should henceforward be held. The special sessional divisions of Dacorum, Watford, and St. Albans only will be affected by the proposed alterations. 2nd January.

701. Recommendation of the justices to the clerk of the peace, that the parish of St. Margaret now comprised within the Cheshunt division of special sessions for the county, should be taken out of that division and annexed to the Ware division of special sessions in the same county, and that the same parish will, together with the parishes comprised in the Ware division, form a convenient and proper division within which special sessions should henceforward be held. The special sessional divisions of Ware and Cheshunt only will be affected by the proposed alteration. 2nd January.
703. Recommendation of justices to the clerk of the peace, that the parish of Northaw, now comprised within the Chipping Barnet division of special sessions, should be taken out of the same division and annexed to the Cheshunt division in the same county ; and that the same parish will, together with the parishes of Broxbourne, Cheshunt, Hoddesdon, and Wormley, form a convenient and proper division, within which special sessions should henceforward be held. The special sessional divisions of Cheshunt and Chipping Barnet only will be affected by the proposed alteration. 2nd January.
710. List of title deeds, in the possession of the clerk of the peace, relating to county properties. Epiphany Sessions.
724. Letter from the Home Secretary, transmitting an order made in pursuance of 14 and 15 Vic., cap. 55, directing that the clerk of the peace for the county of Hertford be paid by salary in lieu of fees and other payments for all work done by him as such clerk of the peace, except as excepted in the said order. 22nd April.

742. Letter to the clerk of the peace, St. Albans, from the clerk of the Watford Local Board of Health, enclosing an extract from the minutes of the last board meeting, on the subject of liberty roads and bridges.

The surveyor reported that he had at the request of the Honourable Reginald Capel (of Little Cassiobury, Watford) furnished him with an estimate for the present repairs required to the road approaching to and over the bridge (at the bottom of Watford) amounting to £50 10s. 3d. The clerk was directed to inform the liberty authorities that when such repairs are completed the board will undertake to keep the road approaches to and over the bridge (but not the bridge itself) in repair for £25 per annum. 23rd June.

812. Order of justices of the peace, assembled in quarter sessions, for alteration of special sessional divisions. (See Nos. 693, 695, 698, 701, and 703). 11th January.

745. Letter from surveyor, stating that he had caused the necessary repairs to Medbourne bridge to be carried out at a cost of £39 4s. 0d. 28th June.

751. Report of the surveyor, stating that the 56 county bridges belonging to the county, with the exception of some slight dilapidations, are in a sound and substantial condition. Of the 56 bridges, 25 require repair, the cost of which is estimated at £48 16s. 0d. They are as follows:—

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| Bedwell. | Lockley's. |
| Biggin. | Newgate Street. |
| Bull's Mill. | Poplar's Green. |
| Buntingford. | Roxford. |
| Chipping. | Sandon Lane. |
| Essendon. | Spell Brook. |
| Ford. | Spital Brook. |
| Greggs. | Walkern, |
| Hatfield. | Walkern Lane. |
| Hoddesdon. | Watton. |
| Lansford. | Welwyn. |
| Little Lee. | Woolmers. |
| | Cowbridge. |

30th June.

765. Report of the chaplain of the gaol. The system of industrial labour, introduced some two years since, has been in full operation during the past year, and its results have been highly satisfactory, the proportion of re-commitments having largely decreased. 24th October.
790. Report of surveyor that Medmend bridge requires immediate repair—the bridge is half in the county and half in the liberty. Undated.
- 817, 818, & 825-832. Newspapers containing advertisements relating to the diversion and stopping up of highways in Aldenham and Ware.
864. Account of inquests held in the St. Albans district of Herts, from Michaelmas, 1870, to Michaelmas, 1875. Total number for five years, 264.
861. Schedule of the deeds relating to county property: the gaols at Buntingford, Hertford, and Great Berkhamstead, the chaplain's house at Hertford, land for Standon bridge and the militia stores at Hatfield.
865. List of justices appointed at the Easter sessions, 1875, to superintend the repairs of bridges in the county of Hertford.

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3. Notice of application for an order to divert and stop up a certain part of an old highway, being a footway, in the parish of Abbot's Langley and in the Watford Highway district, leading from Hunton bridge to Upper Highway, Abbot's Langley, Rose Hill, and other places in the said county, such part containing in length about 103 yards, 2 feet, of the mean width of 3 feet or thereabouts, and coloured red on the plan hereinafter mentioned, commencing at the spot marked A on the said plan at the point where the said highway or footway runs out of the public highway or carriageway leading from Hunton bridge aforesaid to Upper Highway, etc., and adjoining the easternmost side of the bridge carrying the London and North Western Railway over the said last-mentioned public highway or carriageway, and proceeding in a northerly direction into

and across part of a certain close or field called the Leys and Far Field, the property of the Earl of Essex, and in the occupation of James Lipscombe, to and terminating at the point marked C on the plan, distant about 103 yards 2 feet, from the point marked A, and hereinafter described as the termination of the proposed new highway or footway.

The course proposed for the new highway or footway in lieu of the said part of the said old highway or footway so proposed to be diverted, turned and stopped up as aforesaid, will be wholly in the said parish and district, and of the length of 130 yards 1 foot, and of the uniform width of 5 feet, and is coloured blue on the said plan, and commences at the said point marked A on the plan, and proceeds in an easterly direction along the said public highway or carriageway leading from Hunton Bridge to Upper Highway, etc., for a distance of 44 yards 1 foot, to the point marked B on the plan, and thence out of the same public highway or carriageway on the northernmost side thereof into the aforesaid close or field called the Leys and Far Field, and proceeds in a northerly direction across part of the same close or field to the said point marked C on the said plan, and there terminates, being the spot hereinbefore described as the termination of such part of such old highway or footway so proposed to be diverted turned and stopped up as aforesaid. The said proposed new highway or footway is more commodious to the public. 12th January.

4. Consent of the Earl of Essex to the diverting and stopping up of the aforesaid highway or footway. 19th February.
5. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed the said highway or footway to be stopped up, and also the proposed new highway, which they find more commodious to the public than the old one proposed to be diverted and turned. 19th February.
7. Certificate that due notice has been given of the proposed diversion, etc., as aforesaid. 19th February.
8. Plan relating to the foregoing diversion.
12. Notice by Baron Lionel de Rothschild to the Tring Local Board, of his desire to divert an existing footpath in the said parish. 4th April.

14. Consent of the said Baron as owner and John Amsden, as occupier, of the land through which the diverted path will pass. 4th April.
16. Consent of the Tring Local Board to making the said new footway. 13th April.
18. Consent of William Brown, owner, and Catherine Morgan, occupier, to the diversion, turning and stopping up of an existing footway in the parish of Tring, passing through their land. 19th April.
20. Consent of Lucy Elizabeth Elliman and Thomas Griffin Elliman, owners, and John Bartholomew, occupier, to a proposed new footway, in the parish of Tring, passing through their lands. 19th April.
22. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed a certain highway in the parish of Tring, proposed to be diverted and stopped up, and that they approve thereof.
24. Notice of application for an order for diverting, turning and stopping up part of a certain highway, being a footway, situate in the parish of Tring, within the district and jurisdiction of the local board for the district of Tring, leading from and out of the public highway called High Street, in the town of Tring, through the "Rose and Crown Inn" premises, across the bowling green, along the western side of the paddock, into and along Park Street, through Tring Park aforesaid to the ladder stile, at the south-east end of the said park; this footway to be diverted and stopped up as follows, namely, so much and such part of the said footway as commences at a point marked A on the plan hereafter mentioned, distant about 299 yards from the said ladder stile in Tring Park aforesaid, and then proceeds through Tring Park into and along the public highway called Park Street, and thence along the west side of the stable paddock across the bowling green, of which paddock and bowling green Baron Lionel Nathan de Rothschild is the owner, through the said "Rose and Crown Inn" premises, of which William Brown is the owner, and Caroline Morgan is the occupier, into the public highway called High Street, in the town of Tring aforesaid, at the point marked

B in the said plan, and which part of the said footway is of the length of about 1,010 yards, and of a width varying from 1 to 6 feet.

In lieu of and in substitution for the same, it is proposed to make a new footway commencing from the said point marked A in the said plan, distant about 299 yards from the said ladder stile in Tring Park aforesaid, and proceeding thence in a north-westerly direction through Tring Park into and across the north end of a garden of which the said Baron Rothschild is the owner, and John Amsden, the occupier, to the north-west corner thereof, and thence along the east side of the east wall of the timber yard there, of which the said Baron is owner and occupier, in a direct line across Park Street into the said stable paddock across the bowling green on the western side thereof, through certain premises agreed to be purchased by the said Baron from the trustees of the will of George Elliman, deceased, and occupied by John Bartholomew, out into the said public highway called High Street, in the town of Tring, at the point marked C in the said plan, distant about 38 yards to the westward of the point marked B in the said plan where the said existing footway runs into and joins the same public highway as aforesaid; which proposed new footway is of the length of 928 yards, and of the average width of 3 feet, and is coloured red in the said plan, and is wholly situate in the said parish of Tring, and will be shorter and more commodious to the public. 20th April.

25. Affidavit in proof of publication of notices and verification of plan of the proposed diversion of a footway in the parish of Tring. 25th May.
27. Certificate of two justices that they have viewed the proposed new highway in the parish of Tring, and that the same will be nearer and more commodious to the public than the old. 25th May.
31. Plan of footways in Tring referred to in Nos. 24-27.
38. Certificate by two justices that the new highway in the parish of Abbot's Langley is completed. 7th June.

40. Printed notice of application to be made to the justices for an order :—

Firstly, to divert all that part of the highway in Ware and Widford forming a portion of the high road from Ware to Widford, commencing at a point 922 feet from the east side of the last house in the village of Wareside, and proceeding in an easterly direction in a curved line for 1,327 feet to a point on the west side of a lane leading from Helen's Green to the said highway, and then proceeding from the east side of such lane for 1,606 feet to a point near the Widford station of the Great Eastern Railway Company, at which the said road crosses the river Ash ; part of which highway is bounded on the north partly by a field (1,138 on the parish map of Ware), the property of T. F. Buxton, partly by certain fields (respectively 1162, 1173 and 1169 on the said map), the property of C. J. Hare, and partly by certain premises called the " Fox and Duck " (1172 on the said map), and a field (1192, 1193 and 1194, on the said map), the property of Frances Orris Gosselin, all which fields are in the parish of Ware ; and on the south side, partly by certain fields (1133 and 1132 on the said map), the property of T. F. Buxton, and partly by fields (1163 and 1164 on the said map), the property of C. J. Hare, and partly by Widford Mill and a field (1165 on the said map), the property of F. O. Gosselin, all of which are in the parish of Ware, except a part of the last-mentioned field (1165), a portion of which is in Widford parish and through which the boundary line between Ware and Widford runs. The said piece of the highway commences as aforesaid at a point 922 feet eastward of the last house on the east side of the village of Wareside and 189 feet eastward from the hedge on the north-west corner of the field numbered 1133 on the tithe map, and proceeds in an easterly direction for 1,327 feet until it is crossed by the said lane from Helen's Green, and proceeds from the east side of that lane for 626 feet until it arrives opposite a public house called " Fox and Duck," where it is joined by a lane called Duck Hill Lane, then turning to the south-east passes in a south-easterly direction for 980 feet until it reaches the north side of the bridge

crossing the River Ash, near Widford station, after crossing which it turns and proceeds in a southerly direction as is described hereafter. And also all that portion of highway in Ware on the south side of the field numbered 1192, 1193 and 1194, on the parish map, which leaves the last-described highway at a point 760 feet eastward of the said point opposite the "Fox and Duck," and proceeds along the north side of a piece of waste land near the north side of the bridge over the river Ash, for 178 feet.

Secondly, to stop up as unnecessary all that piece or portion of a certain footway in the parish of Ware, leading from a lane known as Duck Hill Lane (which lane leads from a place called Helen's Green, and the road particularly described above, close to Widford Mill aforesaid, opposite to the "Fox and Duck" public-house there), to another footpath leading from Helen's Green aforesaid, to a farm known as Nobling Green, in the said parish of Ware, at a point where the said piece of footpath quits the said lane known as Duck Hill Lane, to the point where the said path joins the said footway between Helen's Green and Nobling Green, a distance of 1,386 feet, and which said path quits the said lane on the north side thereof, and passes in a north-easterly direction through a certain field numbered 1,171 on the tithe map of the parish of Ware, for a distance of 122 feet, and then passes in such north-easterly direction across a field numbered 1,169 on the said tithe map, for a distance of 363 feet, to a plantation or spinney there (which said fields numbered 1,171 and 1,169 are in the parish of Ware, and are the property of the said C. J. Hare), and then passing through the said spinney for a distance of 58 feet, emerges into a field (numbered 1,179 on the said map), the property of the said Frances Orris Gosselin, through which it continues for 150 feet, in such north-easterly direction, where it is joined by the path described next below, and then turns in a north-westerly direction for 224 feet, to a stile on the north-west side of the field numbered 1,179, and then continues in the said direction across field numbered 1,178 on the said map, the property of C. J. Hare, for 469 feet, where it joins the aforesaid path between Helen's Green and Nobling Green, at a point exactly opposite the south-east

corner of a piece of garden ground (1,155 on the said map), the three latter fields being in the parish of Ware. Also all that footway (being a branch of the above footway) which leaves the first-mentioned highway on the north side, at a point 250 feet eastwards from the said point where Duck Hill Lane joins such highway, and nearly opposite Widford Mill, and proceeds in a north-westerly direction for 559 feet along and parallel to a gully forming part of the south-west boundary of the field numbered 1,192, 1,193, and 1,194, on the tithe map of Ware, to a gate on the south-east side of the field numbered 1,179 on the said map, and passing through it continues in the same direction for 205 feet, where it joins the footway last above-described.

Thirdly, to stop up the following portion of highway, being a continuation of the highway first described herein, as a cart and carriage road only : all that piece of the highway between Ware and Widford, in the latter parish, lying between certain fields belonging to Frances Orris Gosselin, and certain land, the property of the Great Eastern Railway Company, in the said parish ; which piece of road is bounded on the west, partly by a piece of a field numbered 67a in the parish map of Widford (such field being divided by the boundary line of the parishes of Ware and Widford), and partly by a field numbered 68a in the said map, both of which latter fields are the property of the said F. O. Gosselin; and on the east side partly by a field or piece of waste land numbered 67b on the said map, and partly by certain land and the railroad there, the property of the Great Eastern Railway Company, also in the parish of Widford, from the point on the north side of the bridge over the river Ash, at which the said road leaves the portion of highway first described above, and proceeding for 300 feet to the point of junction of the intended new road, described below, and the present highway between Ware and Widford, which is on the north side of the bridge there across the Great Eastern Railway. Also all that portion of the highway from Ware to Blakesware Farm, from a point opposite a gate on the south-west corner of a field called Little Warren (1,195 on the parish map of Ware), to a point on the north side of the said bridge crossing the river Ash, which piece of highway

passes from the said gate in a westerly direction for 350 feet, between a field numbered 1,192, 1,193, and 1,194, in the parish map of Ware, and a field numbered 64 on the parish map of Widford, both of which are the property of F. O. Gosselin, and then turning in a southerly direction passes for 103 feet between the east side of the aforesaid piece of waste land, and the west side of the said field numbered 64 on the parish map of Widford, until it joins the highway between Ware and Widford first described above on the north side of the bridge over the river Ash.

Fourthly, the following highroads are proposed to be substituted for the above roads: A good carriage, bridle, and footway, at least 30 feet wide, except as to the bridge mentioned below, which is to be 20 feet wide, which road shall commence at a point of the present highway between Ware and Widford, and 922 feet from the east side of the last house in Wareside in the parish of Ware, on the south side of the said highway, 189 feet on the east side of the boundary fence at the north-east corner of a field numbered 1,133 on the tithe map of Ware, the property of T. F. Buxton, which road shall proceed in a direct easterly direction for 2,747 feet until it rejoins the said highway between Ware and Widford, at a point immediately adjacent to the north side of the bridge crossing the railroad near the Widford station of the Great Eastern Railway Company, which roadway, after it leaves the high road at the before-mentioned point on the north side of the field numbered 1,133 on the said tithe map, shall proceed through such field in an easterly direction for 583 feet, then arriving at and passing through the fence on the east side of such field, shall pass through a field numbered 1,163 on the said map, the property of C. J. Hare, for 907 feet, where it is joined by the proposed new road next described; it shall then continue in the same direction for 170 feet until it reaches the river Ash, which forms the boundary of the field numbered 1,163 on the east side, which river shall be crossed by means of a good and substantial bridge, not less than 20 feet wide. After crossing such river the said road shall pass in an easterly direction through a field in Widford (69a on the tithe map of Widford), the property of F. O. Gosselin, for

680 feet to the south-east corner of such field, and passing through the fence and gate there shall continue in the same direction along the south side of a field, the property of the said F. O. Gosselin and numbered 68a on the said map, and parallel with the Great Eastern Railway for 408 feet, where it will join the said highway between Ware and Widford at a point on the north side of, and immediately adjacent to, the said bridge over the Great Eastern Railway. Also a good carriage, bridle, and footway, at least 20 feet wide, to form a continuation of the lane from Wareside to Helen's Green, and passing between certain fields (1,162 and 1,173 on the tithe map of Ware), the property of C. J. Hare, which roadway shall proceed from the southernmost point of the said lane, which is between the south-east corner of the field numbered 1,162, and the south-west corner of that numbered 1,173, in a southerly direction, through part of the field numbered 1,163 for 292 feet, until it joins the intended road first described as proposed to be made above, the point of junction to be about 170 feet from the west side of the river Ash, the boundary of the field numbered 1,163 on the said map.

41. Plan showing proposed improvements of roads and paths in the parishes of Ware and Widford.
42. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order to divert and stop up certain other highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford :—

Firstly, to stop up a highway or lane leading from the highway of Ware and Widford at a point beyond Widford Mill, and nearly opposite the bridge crossing the river, and running in an easterly direction in a curved line for 857 yards, to a point at which it crosses the Hadham and Buntingford Railway, and leads from thence to Widford ; which highway lies between certain fields, the property of Frances Orris Gosselin, in the parishes of Ware and Widford, the boundary line of the said parishes being in the centre of it. It is bounded on the north, partly by a field called Quarters (numbered 1,194 on the tithe map of the parish of Ware), partly by one called Little Warren (1,195 on the said tithe map), partly by one called Hanging Hills (1,197 on the said

map), partly by one called Godden's Mead (1,198 on the said map; 1,197 and 1,198 now form part of a field called Twenty Acres), partly by a wood or plantation called Godden's Shaw (1,223 on the said map), and partly by a wood or plantation called Hanshaw (1,224, 1,225 on the said map); and upon the south, partly by a field called Dovehouse Garden (64a, on the tithe map of Widford), partly by one called Watery Mead (61 on the said map), partly by one called Lowsey Mead (60 on the said map), and partly by one called Godden's Mead (57b on the said map), all of which fields on both sides of the lane are the property of Frances Orris Gosselin. The said highway is to be stopped up from a point commencing on the east side of the gateway leading into the field called Little Warren, and thence for 741 yards to the gateway leading to the said railway, and the footpaths on the north and south sides of the said lane, which are used as alternative paths where the lane is impassable, are also to be stopped up.

Secondly, to stop up a certain cart, bridle, and footway, in Ware, leading from the said lane, $208\frac{1}{4}$ yards from the said railway, into and passing in a northerly and easterly direction between the woods called Godden's Shaw and Hanshaw, for 270 yards, whence it turns in a northerly direction and skirts a field formally called Godden's Field (1,222 on the tithe map of the parish of Ware), now part of the field called Twenty Acres, on the east side of the said field for about 227 yards, the total distance being 497 yards, to a point at which there is a stile on the east side of the said cartway leading into a field called Winding Field (1,232 on the said map); all which road is in Ware and leads to a farm called Blakesware. The said road is to be stopped up from the point at which it enters the woods called Godden's Shaw and Hanshaw, to a point on the south side of the said stile.

Thirdly, to stop up, as a cartway and bridleway, the said road in Ware, from the south side of the said stile proceeding in a northerly direction for 681 yards, to a point at which it joins a bridleway on the west side of the said road, leading through the farm-yard and premises of Blakesware farm, which cart and bridleway is bounded on the west,

partly by the fields formerly called Godden's Field, and Great Butcher's Field (1,222, 1221, and 1,220 on the said map), now part of the field called Twenty Acres, partly by a piece of land called Stack Yard (1,219 on the said map), and partly by a field called Butcher's Field Pasture (1,218 on the said map), and on the east, partly by the said field called the Winding Field (1,232 on the said map), partly by one called Bourne Ley (1,233-1,236 on the said map), partly by one called Well Croft (1,237 on the said map), partly by one called Masters (1,238 on the said map), and partly by one called the Orchard (1,217 on the said map).

The said F. O. Gosselin shall make and devote to the use of the public, a good carriage, bridle, and footway, of the width of at least 20 feet, to commence at the present highway of Ware and Widford, in the latter parish, on the south side of the Hadham and Buntingford railway station, near the gate leading to the said station, and proceed thence in a north-easterly direction for $88\frac{1}{4}$ yards, then turn in an easterly direction on the south side of and parallel with the said railway for $307\frac{1}{4}$ yards until it reaches the river there, across which the said F. O. Gosselin proposes to erect a bridge, and then pass into Godden's Mead (57 on the tithe map of Widford) parallel with and near the said railway for $215\frac{1}{2}$ yards, until it joins the present roadway leading to Widford village, at a point on the south side of the said railway on to which the first-mentioned lane proposed to be stopped up abuts on the north side of the said railway. 8th June.

43. Notice of application for an order to stop up a certain public path and footway in the parish of Widford, leading from the highway of Ware and Widford, at a point on the south-east side of the bridge crossing the river between Widford Mill and the Widford railway bridge, and passing in a southerly direction for a distance of 87 yards, and then turning at a curve in an easterly direction and passing for a distance of 509 yards to a point at which it crosses the Ware, Hadham, and Buntingford railway, and leads from thence to the village of Widford ; which said footpath passes through certain fields in the parish of Widford aforesaid, namely, a piece of ground

called Road Waste and numbered 66a and 67b on the tithe map of the said parish of Widford, the property of Frances Orris Gosselin, part of a field formerly called Part of Long Mill Mead, formerly numbered 65, now forming the Widford railway station and yard, and numbered 1,001 on the said map, the property of the Great Eastern Railway Company, and also through another field called Part of Long Mill Mead, numbered 63 in the map, and another field called The Warren, numbered 98c on the said map; which said two last-mentioned fields are the property of the said F. O. Gosselin and Nicholas Parry respectively, which said path runs parallel with and on the north side of the said railroad from the point at which such path leaves the piece of ground called Road Waste aforesaid. The said path and footway is to be stopped up from the point at which it leads from the said Ware and Widford highway, to the point where the said footpath crosses the said railroad. 8th June.

47. Consent of Charles John Hare, owner of certain lands in Ware described in a plan (drawn in the margin), to the diversion of a highway and footway in the parishes of Ware and Widford, through his said lands. 29th June.
48. Consent of Frances Orris Gosselin, owner of certain lands in Widford described in a plan (drawn in the margin), to the making of a highway through the said lands. 7th July.
49. Consent of the same owner of certain lands in Widford, described in a plan (drawn in the margin), to the making of a new highway through the said lands. 7th July.
50. Consent of Thomas Fowell Buxton, owner of certain lands in Widford, described in a plan (drawn in the margin), to the making of a new highway in the parishes of Ware and Widford. 8th July.
51. Depositions of Thomas Wilson Grindle, surveyor, of Hertford, George Gisby, solicitor, of Ware, and John Corble, solicitor's clerk, of Ware, concerning the diversion of a highway in Ware and Widford. 28th July.
55. Depositions of Edward Joseph Paine, surveyor, of Ware, George Gisby, solicitor, of Ware, and John Corble, solicitor's

clerk, of Ware, concerning the stopping up of certain highways in Ware and Widford. (See No. 43). 23rd July.

59. Depositions of Edward Joseph Paine, surveyor, of Ware, George Gisby, solicitor, of Ware, and John Corble, solicitor's clerk, of Ware, concerning the stopping up of a footpath in the parish of Widford. (See No. 40). 28th July.
- 61, 62, & 63. Plans referred to in the foregoing depositions, showing the old roads to be closed and the proposed new roads. 28th July.
64. Certificate of two justices that they have viewed the highways and footpaths proposed to be stopped up in Ware and Widford, and the proposed course of the new highway, and that they approve thereof for the reason that it will avoid two steep hills, thereby greatly facilitating the traffic between the said town and village. 28th July.
- 70, 71, & 72. Plans referred to in the foregoing certificate of justices.
73. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed certain highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford, proposed to be stopped up, and also the course of the new highway to be made in lieu thereof. They approve of the latter, by reason that the old highways are too narrow, and, for many months during the year, are rendered impracticable by reason of floods from the neighbouring river. (See No. 42). 28th July.
78. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed a footpath in the parish of Widford proposed to be stopped up, and that the said footpath ought to be so stopped up, by reason that the said path runs through the railway yard at Widford station in close contiguity with the metals, from which it is not in any way fenced off, and therefore is extremely dangerous to the public, as at one point the said footpath passes directly across the said railway. (See No. 43). 28th July.
81. Request to the surveyor of the highways of Ware and Widford to give notice to call vestries of those parishes to consider the stopping and diverting of certain highways. 28th July.

90. Notice to call a vestry in Ware concerning the diversion of certain highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford. 28th July.
- 96 & 107. Minutes of a vestry held at Ware, as to the diversion of certain highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford. 28th July.
- 116 & 121. Notice to summon a vestry meeting at Widford, concerning the diversion of certain highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford. 28th July.
141. Minutes of a vestry meeting at Widford, as to the diversion of certain highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford. 28th July.
- 155b. Certificate by two justices of the completion of a highway in Great Hadham. 28th November.
- 155c. Certificate by two justices of the completion of two highways in Standon. 28th November.
862. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 5th January.
888. Report of the committee of visitors of the lunatic asylum. 25th February.
939. Report of the county constabulary committee, advising an increase of the police force by one superintendent, one sergeant, and ten fourth-class constables. Table of pay attached. 31st March.
948. Report of the justices appointed to superintend the repairs of bridges, that a bridge in the parish of Aldenham on the high road between St. Albans and Radlett, called High Bridge, is in great need of repair. They have been furnished with a report from the surveyors as to the requirements necessary and have made an examination of the said bridge. The cost will probably be not less than £50 or £60, and they request the court to authorize an expenditure upon the bridge of a sum not exceeding £60. 5th April.
950. Quarterly report of the chief constable. 6th April.
- 963c. Report of the police committee. Easter Sessions.

- 973r. Report of the county constabulary committee concerning the increase of the police force. 18th May.
1005. Report of the justices appointed to inspect and report upon the state of repairs of the Shire Hall at Hertford, that it is desirable to make certain repairs both to the roof and to various internal parts of the structure, they recommend that the sum of £90 be laid out upon the building under their direction. 28th June.
1007. Estimate for repairs at the Shire Hall. Midsummer.
1008. Surveyor's report upon county bridges, that 36 require general repair at an estimated cost of £146. That the bridges formerly repaired by the trustees of the Wadesmill and Cheshunt turnpike trusts, and now recognized as county bridges, are without notice boards; the estimated cost of the 35 boards required is £45.
- The surveyor also reports that the Watton Trust expired upon the 1st of November last, and that there appear to be a number of bridges upon the line of roads that were formerly repaired by the trustees; states that a survey of such bridges is being made, and evidence collected to show whether the bridges have been so repaired by the trustees. The repairs to High Bridge, Aldenham, ordered by the court at the Easter quarter sessions, have been carried out satisfactorily, at a cost of £63 1s. 8d. 28th June.
1010. Quarterly report of the chief constable.
1244. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Recommends the provision of more accommodation. Appendix attached showing the crowded state of the Asylum.
1252. Report to the committee of visitors by Colonel R. H. Lindsell, the chairman, on the crowded state of the Three Counties Asylum.
1268. List of pauper lunatics in the Three Counties Asylum. 1st July.
1285. Petition of various inhabitants of Harpenden, for a regular inspection of weights and measures used there. Midsummer sessions.

1291. Report of the St. Albans court house committee, stating that they have received a deputation from the St. Albans literary and dramatic society, suggesting the construction of a doorway between the ante-room and the assembly room. 30th September.
1315. Report of the Hertford Shire Hall committee, stating that a clock has been placed in each of the courts at the Shire Hall. 12th October.
1326. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 19th October.
1336. Report of the chaplain of St. Albans' gaol. Contains a tabular statement of the number of prisoners convicted or otherwise disposed of during 1875 and 1876. 19th October.
1363. Report of the visiting justices of the prison at St. Albans; suggests the introduction of the system of industrial labour into the gaol, as already adopted at Hertford. 2nd December.
1365. Supplemental special report of the committee of visitors, on the proposed enlargement of the Three Counties Asylum. 22nd December.
1393. Scale of proposed pay of the county constabulary.
1460. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs to the gaol and governor and chaplain's residences, amounting to £51 3s. 7d. Easter sessions.
1461. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs of Shire Hall, bridges, and roads over bridges, amounting to £192 16s. 1d. Easter sessions.
1498. General statement of accounts for repairs to gaol and governor and chaplain's residences, amounting to £42 4s. 11d. Michaelmas sessions.
1516. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs to Shire Hall, bridges, and roads over bridges, amounting to £265 17s. 0d. Michaelmas sessions.
1577. Letter to Earl Cowper from the Marquis of Salisbury, resigning his chairmanship of the magistrates of quarter sessions. 22nd July.

1586. Letter to the justices from the inspector of weights and measures, requesting an order for the re-verification of the standard weights and measures in his possession, according to the Act 22 and 23 Victoria, cap. 56, relating to weights and measures. 20th September.
1601. Letter from the Home Secretary acknowledging receipt of copy of resolutions of the court of quarter sessions, regarding the number and pay of the county constabulary, and pointing out that as in the scale submitted to him, only the maximum and minimum rates for the several grades are shown, it does not appear whether the maximum and intermediate rates are to be left to the discretion of the chief constable, or whether they are to be attained after certain periods of service, or by advancement through classes. 14th October.
1606. Report of surveyor that the repairs to the county bridges, ordered by the court at the last quarter sessions, have been carried out at a cost of £141 11s. 9d.; also that notice boards have been fixed to the several county bridges formerly repaired by the trustees of turnpike roads, at a cost of £43 8s. 6d. Michaelmas sessions.
1607. Letter from the Home Secretary transmitting copy of an order made by him, directing that the salary of the clerk to the justices of the Watford division of the county of Herts should be £320 a year, and that of the clerk of the justices of the Barnet division £105 a year. 21st November.
- 1637-1670. Newspapers containing advertisements relating to the diversion of a highway in the parishes of Abbot's Langley, Tring, and Ware. January, February, April, June, and July.
- 1675-1680. Newspapers containing the report of a judgment of the court of quarter sessions, in the case of the appeal of the Great Northern Railway against a rate levied by the parish of Knebworth. August.

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20. Order that a mortgage of the county rates, for securing the sum of £7,700 to the Clerical, Medical, and General Life Assurance Society, at the rate of £4 2s. 6d. per cent, be now executed in accordance with the order of court made at the Easter quarter sessions 1877, for borrowing the sum of £30,471 14s. 6d. at the rate of interest and according to the mode of repayment in the said order mentioned. (Undated.)
619. Report that the repairs to the Shire Hall and record room, have been satisfactorily carried out at an expenditure of £90. Epiphany sessions.
659. Quarterly report of the chief constable. 3rd January.
678. Report of the St. Albans court house committee that, in accordance with directions, steps have been taken to improve the ventilation of the court house, and a sum of £22 10s. 0d. has been expended in placing twelve ventilators in the ceiling. 5th April.
682. Quarterly report of the chief constable. 5th April.
695. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs to Hertford gaol, and the residences of the governor and chaplain amounting to £19 16s. 9d. Easter sessions.
717. Report of the committee of visitors, concerning the enlargement of the Three Counties Asylum. Application is made for an additional sum of £15,000, from the three counties concerned, for that purpose. 22nd June.
720. Annual report of the county surveyor concerning the 96 bridges belonging to the county, 27 of which require repair. States that 10 out of 12 bridges formerly repaired by the trustees of the Watton Turnpike Trust and of the Hitchin and Bedford Turnpike Trust require repair. A minute description is given of the "Sacombe Arches," and a proposal is submitted for the best method of repairing them. Estimates for the repairs are given. 4th July.

SCHEDULE ANNEXED.

Hertford Division.

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| South Mill. | Chipping. |
| Hoddesdon. | Buckland. |
| Spital Brook. | Biggin. |
| Cheshunt Wash. | Digswell. |
| Waltham Lane. | Lemsford Mill. |
| Hertingfordbury. | Woolmers. |
| Goldings Bridge No. 3. | Hailey Lane. |
| Watton Moor. | New Bridge. |
| Walkern. | Mile End. |
| Corney Bury. | Barley. |
| Sandon Lane. | |

Liberty Division.

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| Hunton Bridge. | Colney Street. |
| Bushey Mill. | Park Street. |
| High Bridge. | St. Michael's. |

Bridges formerly repaired by the trustees of the late Watton Trust.

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| Broom Hall. | Tonwell. |
| Frogmore. | Longbridge. |
| Bragbury End. | Rib Bridge. |
| Buck's Farm. | Westmill Bridge. |

Sacombe Arches, bridges 1 & 2.

729. Report of the county finance committee ; mentions, among other things, that a special report has been received from the constabulary committee as to the desirability of transferring the parish of Kensworth and such part of the parish of Caddington which is in Hertfordshire, to the county of Bedford, for police purposes. 29th June.
731. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Report of the executive committee for the Hertford division. Mentions among other things that the rules for the prohibition of the movement of cattle into this division were removed on June 16th. 30th June.

733. Report of the county constabulary committee concerning the re-adjustment of the boundary between Hertfordshire and Bedfordshire. They suggest it would be advisable to transfer the part of the parish of Studham which is in Bedfordshire, and the parish of Whipsnade to Hertfordshire; but suggest the postponement of consideration of the subject until the opinion of the Bedfordshire court of quarter sessions has been obtained thereon. 29th June.
741. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 4th January.
749. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Report of the executive committee for the liberty of St. Albans; states among other things, that no case of cattle plague having been reported since 17th May, they have determined not to extend the regulations made prohibiting the movement of cattle in the county. Midsummer sessions.
767. Report of the county surveyor, concerning the repairs of the county bridges. States that the Sacombe Arches are in course of repair. 10th October.
774. Report of the county constabulary committee in regard to a letter from the Home Office concerning the Explosives Act, 1875, 38 Vic., c. 17. 12th October.
778. Report of the county finance committee with reference to a letter from Dr. Tidy, suggesting the adoption of a regular system of collecting samples for analysis in the county. 12th October.
784. Letter from the chaplain of the gaol at St. Albans, containing a tabular statement of the number of persons convicted or otherwise disposed of during the years ending September 1876 and 1877. 18th October.
798. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 18th October.
809. Letter from the Watford local board of health to the clerk of the peace, requesting him to lay the same before the proper authorities, with a view to the re-construction and widening of the bridge over the Colne in the lower part of High Street, Watford, which, it is alleged, was erected about one hundred years ago by the Liberty of St. Albans,

and is now totally inadequate for the present amount of traffic. 18th December.

810. Apparently a plan of a bridge proposed to be constructed in place of the said bridge at Watford.
898. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs to the Shire Hall, notice boards, county bridges, and roads over bridges. Easter.
920. Ditto. Michaelmas.
- 958a. Abstract of accounts of the Three Counties Asylum for the year. 31st December.
964. Petition of Mr. Edwards, town clerk of St. Albans, for an increase in his salary from £135 to £185. January.
969. Report of Dr. Tidy, analyst for Herts, that out of nine samples of milk delivered to him for analysis during 1876 five were adulterated, and that action had been taken thereon. 30th March.
972. Report of three justices appointed to superintend repairs to county bridges, concerning the bridges formerly repaired by trustees of turnpike roads. They state that their attention has been called by the county surveyor to the fact that the Watton Trust had expired, and that all bridges formerly repaired by trustees of turnpike roads were repairable by the county. They instructed him to prepare a list of structures which appeared to him to be bridges formerly repaired by the trustees of the Watton Turnpike Trust, and he had furnished them with a list of twenty-four bridges. These they have personally examined, and considered the evidence tendered to them as to who made the repairs. They are of opinion that by the provisions of the Act 33 and 34 Vic., c. 73, s. 12, the following eleven structures are bridges which were formerly repaired by the trustees of the Watton Trust.

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| Bragbury End. | Sacombe. |
| Frogmore. | Sacombe Arch. |
| Burrows. | Tunnel North. |
| Bardolphs. | Tunnel South. |
| Bricks Farm. | Westmill Single. |

Westmill Double.

Easter sessions.

974. Further report of justices appointed to superintend repairs to county bridges, concerning a bridge called Burford Bridge on the road from Hitchin to Bedford. They have examined the structure and received evidence as to its repairs. They are of opinion that it is a bridge under the Act quoted in the last report, and formerly repaired by the trustees of the Hitchin and Bedford Turnpike Trust. Easter sessions.
988. Copy of a letter from the New River office, stating that serious injury had been caused to the company's bridge at Amwell End by the passage of two traction engines. They intend to repair the bridge and recover the cost from the owner of the engines; but before doing so they wish to enquire whether the county consider it desirable that the bridge should be made strong enough to bear the passage of traction engines, and are willing to contribute to the expense, estimated at £380. If so, the company will give the sum of £50 thereto which would be the cost of restoring the bridge to its former condition. 15th October.
989. Report of the county surveyor on the above application of the New River Company. He states that the bridge alluded to is situate at the Hertford end of Ware, and that, so far as he is aware, it was constructed to enable the New River to be carried under an existing road, and not as in the case of ordinary bridges to enable a road to be carried over an existing stream. It appears to him that the company are bound to maintain a bridge sufficiently strong for any traffic. The bridge in question is of flimsy construction. 17th October.
1016. Schedule of deeds in the possession of the clerk of the peace, relating to the several county properties.

BUNDLE FOR 1878.

2. Certificate by E. H. Hoskins and R. B. Croft, two justices, of the completion of a new highway in the parish of Widford. (See bundle for 1876, No. 42). 23rd March.
4. Consent of the Earl of Verulam, Gerard Wolfe Lydeker, of Harpenden, and Henry Edward Chetwynd Stapylton, of

Shenley, owners of lands in St. Albans, to the making of a new highway or footway through their lands. (See No. 10). 18th April.

6. Certificate by E. H. Hoskins and R. B. Croft, two justices, of the completion of new highways in the parishes of Ware and Widford. (See 1876, No. 40). 23rd March.
10. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order to stop up, divert, and turn part of a public highway or footway, situate in the parish of St. Albans, in the city of St. Albans, formerly called School Lane, and now better known as the Abbey Cloisters, which said public highway or footway starts from and leads out of High Street, St. Albans, and proceeds in a south-westerly direction for a distance of 321 feet or thereabouts, passes, by a descent of seven steps, for a distance of 102 feet or thereabouts, through the eastern end of the Abbey Church of St. Albans, and thence emerges into another public highway known as Sumpter Yard. The part of such public highway or footway so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned as aforesaid, commences at the point distant 321 feet from the said High Street, at which the said public highway or footway intersects the Abbey Church, and proceeds thence by a descent of seven steps of the width of 10 feet 10 inches through the Abbey Church to Sumpter Yard, for a distance of 102 feet or thereabouts, and is of the uniform width of about 15 feet.

The new highway or footway, proposed to be made in lieu thereof, commences at a point distant 66 feet north of the point at which the public highway or footway called Abbey Cloisters intersects the Abbey Church, and proceeds in a south-easterly direction for a distance of 126 feet or thereabouts, skirting the northern side of the eastern end of the Abbey Church, and is of the mean width of 18 feet or thereabouts, and thence in two branches, first in a southerly direction for a distance of 87 feet or thereabouts, skirting the eastern extremity of the Abbey Church, and is of the mean width of 16 feet or thereabouts, and secondly in an easterly direction for a distance of 120 feet or thereabouts,

and of the mean width of 16 feet or thereabouts, both of which branches open into the public highway or footway, known as Sumpter Yard, and which proposed new highway or footway will be more commodious to the public, and will render the part so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned, wholly unnecessary and useless. 20th April.

11. Plan of pathway through St. Albans Abbey Church, proposed to be stopped up, and of the new highway to be made in lieu thereof.
13. Certificate by Henry J. Toulmin and John Kinder, two justices, of their having viewed the public footway at St. Albans, proposed to be stopped up, and the new public footway proposed to be made in lieu thereof. They approve of the latter as being wider, more level, and not so dark or so deep a descent as the old footpath to be stopped up. 20th May.
15. Consent of John Bennet Lawes, of Rothamstead, in the parish of Harpenden, to the making of a new highway or footway through his land. (See No. 17). 10th May.
17. Affidavit of Albert Rowden of St. Albans, solicitor's clerk, and Henry Ingram, of the same place, surveyor, in proof of publication of notices and verification of plan (No. 11) of the proposed new footway at St. Albans. 20th May.
18. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order :—

Firstly, to stop up, divert, and turn, a certain public footway or highway in Harpenden, leading from a highway called Freeman's Lane in the said parish, and proceeding in a south-westerly direction towards Rothamstead in the parish aforesaid, and thence merges into and joins the proposed new footway or highway in the private carriage-road to Rothamstead and hereinafter more particularly described.

Secondly, to stop up, divert, and turn a part of a certain footway or highway called Coach Lane, in the parish of Harpenden, leading from and out of a certain public highway or footway called Harpenden Common, which said Coach Lane proceeds in a westerly direction for a distance of 597 yards or thereabouts, and thence merges into and

joins the said public footway or highway, firstly hereinbefore described and intended to be stopped up, the part of such footway or highway so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned as aforesaid, commences at the private carriage-road to Rothamstead, and thence proceeds in a westerly direction for a distance of 110 yards or thereabouts, and terminates at its junction with the public footway or highway firstly hereinbefore described, and intended to be stopped up.

Thirdly, to stop up, divert, and turn a part of a certain public footway or highway in the parish of Harpenden, leading from and out of a certain public footway or highway in the parish of Harpenden, called Harpenden Common, and proceeding in a westerly direction for a distance of 676 yards or thereabouts, passing by the side of a certain building called the laboratory, and through certain allotment gardens, and thence merges into and joins the said public footway or highway, firstly hereinbefore described and intended to be stopped up; the part of such public footway or highway so proposed to be stopped up, diverted, and turned as aforesaid, commences at the private carriage road to Rothamstead, and thence proceeds in a westerly direction for a distance of 75 yards or thereabouts, and terminates at its junction with the said public footway or highway, firstly hereinbefore described and intended to be stopped up.

The new footway or highway proposed to be made in lieu of the above-mentioned public footways or highways so proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid, commences at a point leading from and out of a certain highway or footway called Freeman's Lane, in the parish of Harpenden, and proceeds in a southerly direction for a distance of 250 yards or thereabouts, and thence in a south-westerly direction for a distance of 337 yards or thereabouts, to the junction with Coach Lane, and thence proceeds in the same direction for a distance of 226 yards or thereabouts to the said public footway or highway, thirdly hereinbefore described and proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid, and thence in the same direction for a distance of 153 yards or thereabouts, to the part where the firstly described public footway or highway so proposed to be stopped up joins the private carriage-road

to Rothamstead, which said new footway or highway is of the total length of 966 yards or thereabouts, and of the mean width of 5 feet or thereabouts, and will be more commodious to the public, and will render the parts so proposed to be stopped up, as hereinbefore described, wholly unnecessary and useless when the said new footway or highway is made.
20th June.

27. Certificate by John Kinder and Henry J. Toulmin, two justices, of the completion of the new footway at St. Albans. (See No. 10). 13th August.
29. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed the public footways and highways in the parish of Harpenden proposed to be stopped up and diverted, and also the new footway or highway proposed to be made in lieu thereof, and that they find the latter will be more commodious to the public by reason of its being more level, straighter, and less tortuous, and also much wider than the old public footways or highways. (See No. 18). 31st August.
31. Affidavit of Albert Rowden, of St. Albans, solicitor's clerk, and Henry John Rumbell, of St. Albans, surveyor, in proof of publication of notices, and verification of plan (No. 33) of proposed diversion of footpath in the parish of Harpenden. (See No. 18). 31st August.
33. Plan showing proposed alteration of footpath in the parish of Harpenden.
35. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed a certain highway lately made by Arthur Giles Puller, in the parish of Thundridge, and that it has been made in a substantial manner. 4th October.
37. Certificate by two justices that they have viewed a certain highway made by Arthur Giles Puller, in the parish of Standon, and that it has been made in a substantial manner. 4th October.
39. Plan traced from estate plan in the possession of Arthur Giles Puller showing the new highway in the parish of Thundridge.

40. Plan, traced from one in possession of Arthur Giles Puller, of the new road in the parish of Standon.
46. Public notice that application will be made on behalf of the Hitchin highway board to the justices, for an order to empower the said board to borrow the sum of £800 for the purpose of defraying the expenses, estimated at the sum to be incurred in improving a public highway (being within the jurisdiction of the board) situate in the parish of Walsworth, lying between the Hitchin and Baldock Road and Wilbury Hills, by converting the road from an unstoned to a stoned road. The said sum of £800 and the interest thereon to be paid by the parish of Walsworth, the payment to be as follows: the principal within 20 years from the date of receiving the approval for borrowing the same of the justices by 20 equal annual instalments of £40 each, and the interest from time to time remaining due annually. 28th October.
707. Indictment of Henry Walker, of Chipping Barnet, a professional pedestrian, charged with falsely pretending to be a gentleman amateur runner of the name of Frederick Warren, competing under that name at an amateur foot-race at New Barnet, winning the race, and thereby fraudulently obtaining the prize. Found guilty and sentenced to pay a fine of £5, and to be imprisoned till he paid the same. 31st December.
733. Report of the county finance committee stating, among other things, that in accordance with directions from the court they have entered into an arrangement with the Clerical, Medical and General Life Insurance Society for a loan at that rate of interest of £4 2s. 6d. per cent., of the additional sum of £8,018 17s. 6d. voted at the last Midsummer sessions for the purpose of enlarging the Three Counties Lunatic Asylum. Epiphany sessions.
741. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany sessions.
748. Report of the divisional finance committee mentions that the clerk to the justices of the Barnet division, notwithstanding repeated applications, has neglected to pay the treasurer the

fees and fines received since December 1876. The committee recommended that unless the amount be paid to the treasurer at once, the attention of the Home Secretary should be called to the circumstance. Epiphany sessions.

- 750. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 2nd January.
- 765. Report of the court house committee. 9th March.
- 782. Report of the county surveyor concerning the bridge at Watford over the Colne, which he states is in a fair state of repair; mentions that a private company is being formed to canalize the river Colne. 3rd April.
- 784. Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1869. Report of the executive committee; mentions that there have been continued outbreaks of pleuro-pneumonia in the Cheshunt district. 6th April.
- 792. Report of the county surveyor that the Sacombe Arches, a bridge formerly repaired by trustees of turnpike roads, has been repaired according to the direction of the justices, at a cost of £115 13s. 0d. 3rd April.
- 801. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 11th April.
- 805. Report of the committee appointed to consider and report to the court what alterations should be made in the County of Hertford and Liberty of St. Albans Act, 1874, to arrange with the Secretary of State, subject to the approval of the court, as to the pecuniary claims of the county in connection with the transfer of the county prison to the Crown; and to consider the correspondence appended to a report of the visiting justices for the county prison at Hertford. 3rd July.
- 816. Report of the police committee. It is, among other things, recommended that whenever police officers belonging to the army or militia reserve are called out for service in the army, their names should be allowed to remain on the strength of the police supernumeraries without pay, and that on the termination of their military engagement they should be permitted to rejoin the police without forfeiting their previous periods of police service. The committee's attention having been called to the riotous conduct of a

number of persons coming from London to Harpenden and Buntingford, with whom the local police were unable to cope, the chief constable was instructed to communicate with the authorities in London on all occasions when numbers of rough people are likely to congregate. 28th June.

822. Report by the county surveyor that serious damage has been occasioned to some of the county bridges owing to a heavy flood which has occurred in the Lee Valley. He has examined three of these bridges, and reports as follows on their condition :—Haliwell Bridge, near Essendon Mill, on the main road from Hertford and Hatfield, has been almost entirely destroyed, the traffic except for foot passengers has been stopped, and the foundations may collapse at any moment. The cost of the rebuilding the bridges is estimated at about £400.

Woolmers Bridge, near Bedwell Lodge, on the road from Hertford to Essendon, has been but slightly damaged ; necessary repairs can be effected within a cost of £5.

At Goldings Bridge the storm has washed away a portion of the road approach to the bridge ; the repairs can be effected within a cost of £40.

Two other bridges, Bedford Bridge and Berkhamstead Bridge, both on the road from Bayford to Essendon, have, the surveyor is informed, also been damaged by the storm, but he does not anticipate the cost of the repairs will together exceed £30.

The necessary steps have been taken to protect the public from danger until instructions have been given to carry out the works and repairs. The five bridges mentioned are in the Hertford petty sessional division. The surveyor considers it possible that other bridges may have been damaged, of which he has not yet heard, and in the circumstances he requests the court to authorise an expenditure by the divisional justices of £500 or £600. 2nd July.

825. Annual survey of county bridges. The county surveyor reports that of the 108 belonging to the county, the following require repair :—

Lemsford.

Puckeridge.

Woolensbrook.

Hoddesdon.

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| Hailey Hall. | Newgate Street. |
| Sawbridgworth. | Spitalbrook. |
| Southmill. | Cheshunt Wash Bridge. |
| Greggs Bridge. | Cheshunt Wash Culvert. |
| Ford Bridge. | Theobald's Lane. |
| High Street. | Waltham Lane. |
| Hobb's Farm. | London Colney. |
| Chalk Pit Hill. | Little Lee. |
| Bayford. | Watford. |
| Holiwell. | Bushey Mill. |
| Woolmers. | Cowbridge. |
| Woolmersto Cole Green. | Goldings Culvert, No. 1. |
| Water Hall. | Goldings Bridge, No. 3. |
| Buntingford. | Broom Hall. |

838. Further report of the committee appointed for the purposes as stated in No. 805.
844. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 3rd July.
864. Report of the justices concerning the reconstruction of Holiwell Bridge, which has been destroyed by a flood. Michaelmas sessions.
868. Report of the county surveyor concerning the annual repairs of county bridges; states that the repairs ordered to be made to bridges damaged by the flood and heavy rain of 30th June have been carried out. 16th October.
872. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 17th October.
882. Further report of the committee appointed for the purposes stated in No. 805.
902. Report of the parliamentary committee concerning the closing of the county prison at Hertford.
909. Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1872:—
Report of the county surveyor to the committee of justices appointed for the purposes of this Act, containing:—
- (1). A list of the main roads in the county, particulars as to the lengths of such roads, and as to the points of commencement and termination of such roads.
 - (2). A list of the highway areas within which such main roads are situate and the lengths of the portions of main road lying within each highway area.

(3). An account of the annual expenditure incurred during the last two years on each of the roads, disturnpiked since 31st December, 1870.

(4). A list of the turnpike roads in the county likely to be "disturnpiked," and their respective lengths.

- 923. Schedule of title deeds deposited with the clerk of the peace.
- 984. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs to the Shire Hall, county bridges and roads over bridges. Michaelmas sessions.
- 1029. Circular letter from the Home Office concerning bequests or gifts for the benefit of prisoners. 17th January.
- 1034. Letter from the county surveyor stating that the roads have hitherto been repaired by the surveyors of the turnpike roads and highways in their several districts under his superintendence, and suggesting that in future he should advertise for tenders for the supply of gravel, and for the repair of such roads. 25th June.
- 1075. Draft of a bill for amending the County of Hertford and Liberty of St. Alban Act, 1874.
- 1080. A bill to amend the County of Hertford and Liberty of St. Alban Act, 1874.
- 1091. Extract from the will of Roger Daniel, of London, dated 1625, as to the sum of 12 shillings to be expended yearly "by 12 pence" on the first Thursday of every month, in bread and drink to the poor prisoners "in the maine gaol of the town of Hertford."
- 1128-1143. Newspapers having reference to the diverting of a highway in Harpenden. 27th April—6th July.

BUNDLE FOR 1879.

- 2. Certificate by two justices of the completion of the diversion of certain highways in Harpenden. (See 1878, No. 17). 18th March.
- 12. Consent of the Earl of Essex, owner of Finches Farm, Pond Close, Broad Mead, Skillit's Close, and Cow Leys, in the

parish of Walkern, and Samuel Porter, occupier of the same, to the diversion of certain footways between Walkern and Bennington through the said lands. 22nd November.

13. Consent of Edward Nicholls Ward, of 8 Ovingdon Gardens, London, owner of a close called Rowells in Walkern, and Samuel Robert Rowlatt, occupier of the same, to the diversion of a certain footpath lying between Walkern and Bennington through the said lands. 22nd November.
- 13a. Printed notice that an application will be made to the justices for an order that a certain part of a public footway leading from the village of Walkern to Bennington, and being in the parish of Walkern, should be diverted and turned in the following manner, namely: that a new footway be made, commencing at a point in the highway leading from Baldock to Hertford (which point is situate at the western corner of the close of pasture called "Rowells," hereinafter mentioned) and at the north corner of certain buildings belonging to a farm called Finches, of which the Earl of Essex is the owner, and Samuel Porter, the younger, is the occupier, and running from the said point in a south-easterly direction over part of the said close of land called Rowells, situate in the parish of Walkern, of which Edward Nicholl Ward, of 8, Ovingdon Gardens, London, is the owner, to a point at the eastern corner of Finches Farm buildings, thence southwards over a close of pasture land called Pond Close, of which the Earl of Essex is the owner, and Samuel Porter, the younger, is the occupier, thence over the bridge across the river Beane, and in a south-easterly direction crossing certain closes of pasture land called Broad Mead, Skillit's Close, and Cow Leys, of which the Earl of Essex is also the owner, and Samuel Porter, the younger, is the occupier, to the southern corner of Cow Leys Close, and from thence in a south-westerly direction along the north-west side of a close of arable land called Langlands, in the parish of Walkern, of which the Reverend John George Cotton Browne, of Walkern Hall, in the parish of Walkern, is both owner and occupier, to a point at the western corner of the same close, and from thence in a south-

easterly direction for a distance of 178 feet along the south-west side of Langlands Close up to and terminating at a point in the private cart-road leading to Bennington, and which last point is situate at or near the southern corner of a close of arable land called Old Rick Yard, in the parish of Walkern, of which the said John George Cotton Browne is both owner and occupier; and that such parts of the present footway or footways as run from the northern corner of Rowell Close across that close and Pond Close, Broad Mead, and Skillit's Close, to the southern corner of Skillit's Close, and from thence along the north-eastern and south-eastern sides of a field of arable land called Brook Field, of which the Revd. John George Cotton Browne is both owner and occupier, to the southern corner of Brook field, be stopped up.

The length of the present footway from its commencement at a point at the northern corner of Rowell's Close to its termination at a point in the said private cart-road at the southern corner of Old Rick Yard Close is 4,044 feet, and the length of the proposed new footway, from its commencement at the same point in Rowell's Close, measuring along the high road to the point at the north corner of Finches Farm buildings, and from thence along its course to its termination at the same point in the private cart-road, will be 3,917 feet. The proposed new footway will therefore be nearer than the present footway by 127 feet.

And notice is further given that an application will also be made for an order that such part of a public footway in the parish of Walkern, as runs through Finches Farm yard across the close of pasture called Pond Close, to the bridge across the river Beane, and being a distance of 320 feet or thereabouts, should be stopped up, inasmuch as the same will be rendered quite useless and unnecessary when the proposed diversion of the existing footway is carried into effect as aforesaid. 28th November.

14. Consent of Joshua Harman East, of Highfield Hall, St. Stephens, Herts, and Harry East, George East, and Peter Salmon Dollar, of 7, Curzon Street, Mayfair, jobmasters, carrying on business as "East & Co.," owners and occupiers of land through which a certain footway leading to High-

field Hall is proposed to be diverted, to the said diversion. 6th December.

- 14b. Consent of the St. Albans district highway board, owners and occupiers of Tittenhanger Green Lane, lying between London Colney and Highfield Hall, to the making of a public highway along the said lane. 13th December.
16. Consent of Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild, of Tring, to the diversion of part of a certain footpath lying between Wigginton and Tring, through his land. 30th December.
817. Report of the justices appointed to inspect the Shire Hall at Hertford. States that the building generally is in a substantial state of repair ; they recommend that the Assembly Room be entirely redecorated, which has not been done since 1860, and that the meat market be cleaned down and lime-whited. Epiphany sessions.
819. Report of the justices appointed to superintend the reconstruction of Holiwell Bridge which was opened for traffic on the 29th November, 1878. Epiphany sessions.
826. Report of committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany sessions.
846. Fourth report of the committee re-appointed on 17th October, 1878, (a) to carry out the arrangements necessary for obtaining the legal conveyance of the prison at Hertford to the county, and report upon the best manner of dealing with the property ; (b) to confer with the Home Office as to the conveyance of prisoners under remand to and from H.M. prisons ; (c) to report what alterations are necessary in the cell accommodation in the different county police stations. Epiphany sessions.
851. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 1st January.
872. Report of the justices appointed to superintend repairs to county bridges in the Stevenage division ; states that the county is now responsible for the repair of bridges on the late Welwyn turnpike trust, whose line of roads extends from Hitchin, through Broadwater, to Welwyn, and from Hitchin, through Codicote, to Lemsford. The bridges, all of which are in a dilapidated condition, are :—

The Folly Bridge, Hitchin.
 The Parwell Bridge, near Hitchin.
 Red Cross Bridge, Little Wymondley.
 Little Wymondley Bridge.
 Corey's Mill Bridge, Stevenage.
 Margaret's Bridge, Stevenage.
 Beadel Plash Bridge, Stevenage.
 Broadwater Bridge.
 Danesbury Mill Bridge, Welwyn.
 Scisservans Bridge, Codicote.

Easter sessions.

- 874. North London Suburban Tramways. Report of the county surveyor, stating that he has inspected the line of road over which it is proposed the tramway should pass, and the line indicated crosses two county bridges, Theobald's Lane Bridge and Turner's Hill Bridge. These were formerly repaired by the late Cheshunt turnpike trust, and therefore the roads over them are not repaired by the county. 3rd April.
- 880. Report of the county rate basis committee. 22nd March.
- 882. Report of the St. Albans court house committee. Easter sessions.
- 884. Report of the committee appointed to consider the steps to be taken to carry out the provisions of the Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, October, 1878. 24th March.
- 890. Report of the committee re-appointed at the Epiphany sessions to carry out the arrangements detailed in No. 846. 10th April.
- 899. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 10th April.
- 903. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee; states that £1800 will be required for half of the cost of repair of main roads in their division of the county.
- 907. Report of the county finance committee, recommending that the salary of the county surveyor for the ordinary business of the county, irrespective of that arising from the Highways and Locomotives Act, be for the present fixed at £200 per annum, regard being had to the great increase in the number

of county bridges owing to the expiry of turnpike trusts. Easter quarter sessions.

909. Report of the county finance committee informing the court that the liability of the county towards the cost of repairing the main roads for the half-year ended 25th March, will amount to about £2,600, and recommending that a rate of $1\frac{1}{2}$ d. in the £ be made. Easter quarter sessions.
911. Order of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties' Asylum to the treasurer of the county of Hertford to pay the treasurer of the said asylum £664 7s. 5d., being the proportion due from the county towards the sum spent on repairs, etc. 23rd June.
912. Report of the county surveyor, stating that the following county bridges need repair, the cost of which is estimated at £230 :—

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| Stapleton Bridge. | Cheshunt Wash Culvert. |
| Biggin Bridge. | Cheshunt Street Bridge. |
| Newell Hill. | Theobald's Lane. |
| Chipping Bridge. | Ball's Park. |
| Corney Bury. | Townshend Arms. |
| Essendon Bridge. | Hailey Lane. |
| Brook's Farm. | Westmill Bridge. |
| Broom Hall. | Rib Bridge. |
| Roydon Bridge. | Tunwell Bridge. |
| Spellbrook. | Golding's Culvert, No. 3. |
| Hadham Mill. | Golding's Bridge, No. 3. |
| Poplar's Green. | Golding's Bridge, No. 2. |
| Lockley's. | Golding's Bridge, No. 1. |
| Welwyn Bridge. | Newgate Street. |
| Woolmer's. | Bayford. |
| Woolmer's to Cole Green. | Bayfordbury. |
| Water Hall Bridge. | Hunton Canal. |
| Roxford Bridge. | Bushey Mill Bridge. |
| Chalk Pit Hill. | Colney Street Bridge. |
| Buntingford. | Park Street. |
| Lime Kiln Hill. | London Colney. |
| Standon. | Holiwell, St. Albans. |

Spital Brook.

- 922-930. Report of the highways committee, informing the justices that the Luton Trust expired on the 1st May, and that the length of the main roads in the county has thus been increased by 7 miles. Midsummer sessions.
936. Report of the county finance committee, informing the justices that the county surveyor, having made his report on his annual inspection of bridges, they recommended that the repairs specified be executed. They also call the attention of the court to the large sum (£664 7s. 5d.), required by the committee of visitors of the Three Counties' Asylum in respect of ordinary and necessary repairs.
936. Report of the county finance committee as to the desirability of establishing or otherwise contributing to industrial schools. 27th June.
946. Report of the special committee as to the Hertford prison property, the lock-up at Hertford, and the general lock-up accommodation of the county. (See also No. 992).
979. Memorial of the Watford Union school attendance committee as to the desirability of making grants to industrial schools willing to make arrangements for the maintenance of children.
1004. Report of the highways committee, containing objections to certain proposed regulations with regard to locomotives, bicycles, etc.; also reference to an account received from the Hitchin highway board of the expenses of the maintenance of main roads for the half-year ended 25th March, 1879. 16th October.
1017. Supplemental report of the county finance committee as to the desirability of establishing or otherwise contributing to industrial schools.
1025. The memorial of the Hemel Hempstead school board as to the want of accommodation in industrial schools available for children residing in the county of Hertford.
1038. Annual abstract of accounts of the Three Counties Asylum. 24th February.
1146. Printed letter from the county surveyor as to his salary; attached are a list of salaries and allowances of all the

county surveyors of England in 1877 ; a statement of the general duties of the Hertford county surveyor ; and an abstract from his journal of 1878. 1st April.

1161. Application by the Hitchin highway board to the court of quarter sessions, for an order declaring 7 miles and 6 furlongs of road, disturnpiked in 1869 and 1870, to be main roads. 13th June.
1202. Report of the special committee appointed by the court to consider the manner in which the county will be affected by the Highways and Locomotives (Amendment) Act, 1878, and the steps necessary to be taken to carry out its provisions ; states that the following eight disturnpiked roads have, under section 13 of the Act, become main roads, their aggregate length in the county being 130 miles, 2 furlongs. The committee consider these roads should not be reduced to the status of ordinary highways under section 16.

Baldock and Bourne Bridge Trust.

From Baldock through Royston to Known's Folly. The road passes through the following highway areas : Hitchin highway board and Buntingford highway board.

Cheshunt Trust.

From Waltham through Hoddesdon to Hertford, and from Hoddesdon through Ware to Wadesmill. The road passes through the following highway areas : Cheshunt local board, Hertford highway board, Hertford borough, Hadham highway board, Ware local board, and Hoddesdon hamlet.

Dunstable Trust.

From Pondyards, St. Albans, to Dunstable. The road passes through the following highway areas : Kensworth parish, Caddington parish, Flamstead parish, and St. Albans highway board.

Pondyard and Barnet Trust.

From Pondyard, St. Albans, to South Mimms, and from Chipping Barnet to Whetstone. The road passes through the following highway areas : St. Albans City, St. Albans highway board, Chipping Barnet local board, and East Barnet Valley local board.

Sparrow's Herne Trust.

From Sparrow's Herne, Bushey, Watford, through Great Berkhamstead to the boundary of the county near Tring. The road passes through the following highway areas: Watford local board, Watford highway board, King's Langley parish, Hemel Hempstead parish, Bovington parish, Northchurch parish, Berkhamstead parish, Albury parish, Wiggington parish, and Tring parish.

Wadesmill Trust.

From Wadesmill, through Puckeridge, to Royston, and from Puckeridge to Barley. The road passes through the following highway areas: Hadham highway board and Hitchin highway board.

Watton Trust.

From Hertford, through Watton, to Broadwater, and from Ware, through Watton, to Walkern. The road passes through the following highway areas: Hertford borough, Hertford highway board, Ware local board, Hadham highway board, and Hitchin highway board.

Welwyn Trust.

From Hitchin, through Codicote, to Lemsford, and from Hitchin, through Broadwater, to Welwyn. The road passes through the following highway areas: Hitchin local board, Hitchin highway board, Stevenage local board, and Hatfield highway board.

They consider the probable cost to the county for the upkeep, of these roads, will be £1,950 per year, exclusive of the costs of supervision. The length of the roads in the continuing trusts, from Hatfield to Reading in one case, and from Luton to St. Albans in the other (which will now become main roads), is 24 miles, 1 furlong, the average cost of which is £21 per mile.

They recommend that the county surveyor be appointed county surveyor of highways; and point out that it rests with the court to frame bye-laws concerning the regulation of traffic and the erection of gates upon the highways, but recommend that an immediate bye-law be made to restrain the passage of locomotives, other than locomotives used solely for the transport of agricultural machinery or imple-

ments, along turnpike roads or highways between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Epiphany sessions.

1209. Proposed basis of county rates.

1236. Rough draft of County Boards Bill.

1286-1295. Newspapers containing advertisements as to the diversion of a footpath in the parish of Walkern. 29th November—20th December.

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1. Consent of the Tring local board to the stopping up of a highway in that parish. (See No. 13). 1st January.
5. Consent of Arthur William Vaisey, of Tring, gentleman, occupier of certain lands in Tring, to the making of a new footway through his lands. 26th January.
7. Consent of John Amsden, of Tring, to the making and continuing of a certain footway between Wiggington and Tring, through lands in his occupation, belonging to Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild. (See No. 13). 26th January.
9. Consent of James Dawe, of Tring, farmer, occupier of certain lands in Tring, to the making of the proposed new footway through his lands. 26th January.
11. Order of two justices that due notice be given of the proposed diversion of a footway in Tring. (See No. 13).
13. Notice that application will be made to the justices at the quarter sessions at St. Albans for an order for diverting, turning, and stopping up part of a certain highway, being a footway, in the parish of Tring and within the district and jurisdiction of the local board, from Wiggington towards Tring, commencing at a point in the parish of Tring adjoining to the ladder stile on the east side of Tring Park, belonging to and in the occupation of Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild, baronet, M.P., and which said point is hereinafter referred to on the plan by the letter A, and thence proceeding in a north-westerly direction through the said Tring Park to the lodge gates thereof adjoining Park Street, belonging to and occupied by the said Sir Nathaniel,

and thence proceeding by the said lodge and along the east end of Park Street, to a point marked C on the said plan, where the said path turns in a northerly direction towards the town of Tring, which said footway is of the length of 909 yards or thereabouts.

And for making, in lieu thereof, a certain other footway commencing from the said ladder stile, designated on the said plan by the letter A, and thence proceeding for a distance of 650 yards or thereabouts in a north-westerly direction over the said Tring Park, to the north-west boundary thereof, adjoining a meadow called Dawe's meadow, belonging to the said Sir Nathaniel and now in the occupation of James Dawe, to a point 45 yards or thereabouts to the south of a garden belonging to the said Sir Nathaniel, and now in the occupation of John Amsden, and thence proceeding in a northerly direction for 45 yards over the said meadow called Dawe's Meadow, to the south end of the said garden in the occupation of John Amsden, and thence proceeding for 38 yards or thereabouts in the same direction over a part of the said garden, to the western boundary thereof, and thence proceeding for 116 yards or thereabouts in the same direction over another part of the said meadow called Dawe's meadow, to an alley adjoining the timber yard belonging to and in the occupation of the said Sir Nathaniel, and thence proceeding for 39 yards or thereabouts along the west side of the said timber yard, to the boundary of the said road called Park Street, and over the said road to the said point marked C on the said plan, where the said old footway turns out of Park street aforesaid in a northerly direction towards the town of Tring; which proposed new footway will be nearer and more commodious to the public.

The certificate of two justices, having viewed the said highway, has been duly published with the plan of the existing and proposed new highway, and the consent of the owner of the land over which the proposed new highway is intended to pass will be lodged with the clerk of the peace.
29th January.

14. Affidavit of William Baines, Arthur William Vaisey, and Alexander Thomas Parkes, all of Tring, that due notice has

been given of the stopping up of a certain footway specified in the printed notice marked A. (See No. 13). 28th February.

16. Plan referred to in the foregoing affidavit.
17. Certificate of two justices, that they have viewed the footway leading from Wiggington to Tring, commencing at the ladder stile on the east side of Tring Park, and that due notice has been given of the intention to divert the same footway. (See No. 13). 28th February.
19. Certificate by two justices of the completion of a highway in Tring. (See No. 13). 16th June.
- 19a. Printed notices, under the Highway Act, 1862, of provisional orders made at quarter sessions, dissolving the Buntingford, Hertford, and Hatfield highway districts. Epiphany sessions.
20. Affidavit of John Anderson, of Walkern, police constable, in proof of publication of notice of proposed diversion of footway in the parish of Walkern. (See bundle for 1879, No. 13a). 14th January.
22. Affidavit of Walter Henry Norris, of Watford, in verification of plan (No. 36) describing the proposed diversion of the public footway in the parish of Walkern. (See bundle for 1879, No. 13b). 14th January.
24. Certificate by two justices of the completion of the new public footway in the parish of Walkern. (See bundle for 1879, No. 13b). 7th August.
26. Plan of land in Walkern, showing existing footpath from the village of Walkern to Bennington, and also the proposed diversion of the same.
29. Order by two justices to the local board, that due notice be given of the proposed stopping up of a highway in Tring. (See No. 31). 27th January.
31. Printed notice that application will be made to justices for an order for stopping up a certain useless part of a footway situate in the parish of Tring within the district and jurisdiction of the local board, leading out of a footway from Park Street to the High Street in Tring, to another spot in the High Street adjoining the "Rose and Crown" inn,

The footway so proposed to be stopped up commences at a spot in a meadow called Bowling Green Close, belonging to Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild, bart., M.P., in the occupation of Jabez Thorn, adjoining the said footway leading from Park Street to the High Street, at the north-east corner of an orchard belonging to the said Sir Nathaniel and in the occupation of Arthur William Vaisey, which spot is designated on the plan by the letter D, and proceeding thence in a north-easterly direction for about 127 yards through the meadow called Bowling Green Close, to a style which separates the said meadow from the yard of the "Rose and Crown" inn, which premises and yard belong to the said Sir Nathaniel, and are in the occupation of the said Jabez, and proceeding thence in a northerly direction for a distance of 141 yards or thereabouts through the said premises and yard to the said High Street in Tring; which footpath so proposed to be stopped up from its commencement to its termination is of the length of 268 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 3 feet or thereabouts, and is unnecessary.

The certificate of two justices, who have viewed the same footway, will be lodged with the clerk of the peace on 5th March next. 29th January.

32. Plan referred to in the above notice.
33. Certificate by two justices, that they have viewed the footway in Tring proposed to be stopped up, and approve thereof. (See No. 31). 28th February.
35. Affidavit of William Baines, Arthur William Vaisey, and Alexander Thomas Parkes, of Tring, that due notice has been given of the proposed stopping up of a certain footway in Tring. (See No. 31). 28th February.
37. Plan referred to in the foregoing affidavit.
38. Order by two justices, that notice should be given of the following proposed diversion of a highway in Tring. (No. 40). 27th January.
40. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order for diverting, turning, and stopping up part of

a certain highway, being a footway in the parish of Tring and within the district and jurisdiction of the local board, commencing at a spot designated on the plan hereinafter referred to by the letter H, where the said footway leading in a northerly direction from Park Street reaches the south wall of an orchard belonging to Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild, bart., M.P., in the occupation of Arthur William Vaisey, and thence proceeding in an easterly direction to the south-east corner of the said orchard, and thence in a northerly direction adjoining the east wall of the said orchard, to the north-east corner of the latter, which footway is about 102 yards long and of the average width of about 6 feet.

The footway to be made in lieu of the above is to commence from the said spot, marked H on the plan, where the footway proposed to be diverted touches the south wall of the orchard, and proceed thence for about 87 yards in a northerly direction through the latter wall and orchard, through the north-east corner of them to the spot where it joins the said old footpath there, which spot is marked D on the plan, and which new footway is to be about 87 yards long and of an average width of about 7 feet. 29th January.

41. Plan referred to in the above notice. (See No. 40).
42. Certificate by two justices, that they have viewed a footpath in Tring, and approve of the diversion thereof. (See No. 40). 28th February.
44. Affidavit of William Baines, surveyor, of Tring, A. W. Vaisey, of Tring, and A. T. Parkes, surveyor, of Tring, that due notice has been given of the proposed diversion of a footpath in Tring. (See No. 40). 28th February.
46. Plan referred to in the above affidavit.
47. Certificate by two justices of the completion of the diversion of a highway in Tring. (See No. 40). 16th June.
48. Notice that application will be made to the justices for an order to stop up, divert, and turn a public highway or footway, partly in the parish of St. Peter, and partly in the parish of St. Stephen, in the county of Hertford, leading from a highway called Tittenhanger Green Lane, and pro-

ceeding in a northerly direction towards Highfield Hall for about 269 yards, in and to the boundary of the parish of St. Peter, and proceeding thence, in the same direction, for about 884 yards in the said parish of St. Stephen, and there joining the Tittenhanger Green Lane, near Highfield Hall, which highway is about 1,153 yards long.

The new highway or footway proposed to be made in lieu of the above, commences in Tittenhanger Green Lane at the same point as the abovesaid, and proceeds in a north-easterly direction for 238 yards in and to the boundary of the parish of St. Peter, and thence in the same direction for about 304 yards in the parish of St. Stephen, and there joins the said Tittenhanger Green Lane, and proceeds along the latter to the point where the highway or footway proposed to be diverted joins it, near Highfield Hall; which new highway or footway is about 1,210 yards long. 29th January.

50. Affidavits of Albert Rowden, and Aubrey Rumball, that due notice has been given of the proposed diversion of a footway in the parishes of St. Peter and St. Stephen. (See No. 48). 28th February.
52. Plan referred to in the above depositions.
53. Certificate that two justices have viewed the footway in the parishes of St. Stephen and St. Peter, and approve of the proposed diversion thereof.
55. Certificate by two justices of the completion of the diversion of a footway in the parishes of St. Peter and St. Stephen. 11th June.
57. Order of Charles Stanton Hadden and Charles George Boulton, two justices, directing the local board of Tring to publish notices of the proposed stopping up of a highway in Tring. 27th January.
59. Certificate by Unwin Heathcote, Humphrey Stanley and Herbert Jones, that they have viewed the existing footway from Walkern to Bennington, and that they approve of the proposed diversion of the same. 28th January.

61. Printed notice that application will be made to the justices for an order for stopping up a certain useless part of a certain highway, being a carriage-road called Park Street, in the parish of Tring, within the district and jurisdiction of the local board, commencing at a spot in the said road adjoining the east side of a spot where a proposed new footway crosses Park Street, and adjoining a timber yard belonging to and in the occupation of Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild, bart., M.P., and which spot is designated on the plan (See No. 64) marked C, and thence proceeding in an easterly direction for a distance of 111 yards to the Tring Park lodge gates, belonging to and in the occupation of the said Baron Rothschild, bounded on the south side by the timber yard and other land and premises belonging to and in the occupation of Baron Rothschild, and on the north side by a meadow called Stable Close, also belonging to Baron Rothschild, and which said road from its commencement to its termination is of the length of 111 yards or thereabouts, and of the average width of 40 feet or thereabouts, and being a public carriage-road called Park Street
29th January.
62. Affidavits of William Baines, surveyor, Arthur William Vaisey, gentleman, and Alexander Thomas Parkes, surveyor, all of Tring, in proof of publications of notices and verification of plan (See No. 64) of proposed stopping up of highway in Tring. 28th February.
64. Plan showing proposed diversion of footpaths in Tring.
65. Certificate by Charles S. Hadden and Charles H. Boulton, two justices, that they have viewed the highway in Tring, proposed to be stopped up, and find it unnecessary, as it leads to no public or private places except only the private property of Baron Rothschild. 28th February.
69. Certificate by two justices of the completion of a highway, lately made by Arthur Giles Puller, in the parish of Thundridge, as delineated on a plan. (See No. 71). 19th June.
71. Plan of new road from Nobland Green to Rush Green referred to in foregoing certificate.

275. Petition to the clerk of the peace from the waywardens for the parishes in the Buntingford highway district, with reference to the expenditure on the main roads in that district. They complain that the report of the county surveyor stating that these roads are not in a proper state of repair, is inaccurate, and request that the court of quarter sessions will obtain independent evidence as to the condition of the roads, for which a heavy claim for repairs is now made on the ratepayers in the Buntingford district. 20th May.
572. Indictment of Charles Stevens, Sarah Stevens, and Elizabeth Clair, charged with unlawfully uttering thirty counterfeit florins. Charles and Sarah Stevens were found guilty and sentenced—the former to 5 years' penal servitude, and the latter to 6 months' imprisonment with hard labour. Elizabeth Clair was acquitted. 19th October.
578. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany sessions.
588. Report of the county surveyor as to Mill Lane Bridge, Watton. 1st January.
593. Report of the committee appointed to consider what arrangement should be made with regard to various lock-ups and station-houses in the county, and to make an arrangement for the joint hiring by the justices of this county, and those of the county of Essex, of a place for holding petty sessions at Bishop's Stortford under the provisions of the Act 31 Victoria, c. 22, and subject to the approval of the Secretary of State. 7th January.
595. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 7th January.
616. Report of the justices appointed to inspect the Shire Hall. Epiphany sessions.
632. Highways Act, 1878, section 10. Report of the county surveyor as to Mr. Larke's complaint concerning a road in the parish of Great Hornead. 2nd April.
634. Report of the same concerning bridges at Blakesware and Widford, built by Mrs. Gosselyn in 1877. 2nd April.

- 637. Report of the county surveyor concerning bridges over the river Gade near Great Gaddesden. 2nd April.
- 639. Report of the county surveyor as to Whetstone Bridge. 2nd April.
- 651. Quarterly report of the chief constable. 8th April.
- 655. Report of the committee re-appointed for the purposes stated in No. 593. 8th April.
- 660. Report of the highways committee. Among other matters they recommend that the following "disturnpiked" roads be declared main roads :—

Stevenage Local Board.

So much of the road, part of the late Hockerill Trust, as is not within the town of Bishop's Stortford.

Hadham Highway Board.

A portion of the road (5 miles in length) between Harlow and Cambridge.

Hatfield Highway Board.

The road from Potters Bar, through Hatfield to Welwyn, 7 miles 1 furlong in length.

Hitchin Local Board.

So much of the road from Hitchin to Bedford as does not lie within the town of Hitchin.

They recommend the adoption of Dobb's Weir Bridge as a county bridge; and that the question of the adoption of Mill Lane Bridge as such be referred to the committee. 8th April.

- 671. Memorial of the Hadham highway board to the highways committee of the justices, asking that steps may be taken for carrying out the provisions of the Highways and Locotives (Amendment) Act, 1878, as regards the payment to them of one-half of the expenses incurred by them in maintaining the Wadesmill turnpike road. 17th June.
- 676. Special report of the committee of visitors on the enlargement of the Three Counties Asylum, which has been completed at the total cost at £71,588 10s. 11d. 21st June.

682. Report of the county surveyor as to the county bridges; the following require repair:—

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| Whitewell Bridge. | Bedwell Bridge. |
| Welwyn Bridge. | Bayford Bridge. |
| Lockley's Bridge. | Roydon Bridge. |
| Digswell Bridge. | Harlow Bridge. |
| Hatfield Bridge. | South Mill Bridge. |
| Mile End Bridge. | Golding's Culvert, No. 1. |
| Buckland Bridge. | Golding's Culvert, No. 2. |
| Chipping Bridge. | Bulls Mill Bridge. |
| Sandon Lane. | Watton Moor Bridge. |
| Watford Bridge. | Walken Bridge. |
| Little Plashes Bridge. | Bardolph's Bridge. |
| Hamell's Park Bridge. | Westmill Bridge. |
| New Bridge. | Theobald's Lane Bridge. |
| Lime Kiln Hill Bridge. | Cheshunt Wash Culvert. |
| Gregg's Bridge. | Spitalbrook Bridge. |
| Golding's Bridge, No. 1. | Cheshunt Wash Bridge. |

25th June.

686. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 30th June.

690. Report of the highways committee; they recommend:—

(1) That Mill Lane Bridge, Watton, should not be deemed a county bridge, or repaired as such.

(2) That so much of the bridge over the river Brent between Totteridge and Whetstone, built in 1843, as is in this county, be adopted as a county bridge, if the parapet be raised as advised by the county surveyor, and under his superintendence, so as to afford better protection to the public than at present exists.

(3) That the question of adopting the two bridges over the river Gade at Water End, Great Gaddesden, which are of great age and require general repairs to the structures, be postponed.

(4) That the Blakesware Bridge over the river Ash, built by Mrs. Gosselin in 1877, in place of a timber bridge, be deemed a county bridge subject to its being repaired to the satisfaction of the county surveyor; but they consider that the Widford Bridge, also built by Mrs. Gosselin, is of too little public utility to be adopted as such.

Sandon Lane Bridge having been damaged by the passage across it of a locomotive, belonging to Mr. Burton, without leave from the county surveyor, they have directed that the sum of £10 be claimed from Mr. Burton. (See No. 969).

They recommend that the orders to declare certain highways to be main roads be confirmed. (See No. 660).

They recommend that the letter received from the Local Government Board, enclosing copies of letters from the clerk to the Hertford highway board, concerning difficulties that have arisen in consequence of the action in confirming the provisional order made at the previous sessions for the dissolution of the Hertford highway district before the board had paid its debts or collected the money due to it, should be answered to the effect that they consider the board continues to possess its corporate functions and duties so long as any remain to be discharged.

With regard to complaints that have been received from the Buntingford and Hadham highway boards as to the withholding of payment due to them from the county, by reason of the county surveyor having refused to certify that the roads are in a satisfactory state, the committee recommend that in the case of the Buntingford highway board, some of whose roads are in good repair, they should in future separate the expenditure on their different roads in their accounts, so that the county surveyor might be able to report upon each road separately, in which case their application might come up again for reconsideration.

In the case of the Hadham highway board, the committee have consulted the county surveyor, who states that he sees no reason to modify his report. Midsummer sessions.

710. Report of the lock-up committee :—

Lock-up at Ware.

The clerk of the peace has reported the completion of the purchase of land for the site. The county surveyor has submitted ground plans for a lock-up, and the magistrates of the Ware petty sessional division have signified their approval of the plans.

Lock-up at Buntingford.

The clerk of the peace has reported the completion of the purchase and has produced the conveyance of the house authorized to be bought for conversion into a police station. The county surveyor has submitted plans, showing the alterations necessary, and the committee recommend that they be authorized to procure the requisite government approval of the plans to obtain estimates and to enter into a contract for the execution of the alterations at a cost not exceeding £1,000.

Lock-up at Great Berkhamstead.

The clerk of the peace has reported the completion of the purchase of the freehold site adjoining the police station and the committee propose to report on a future occasion as to the mode in which the property may be made an efficient station and lock-up. Michaelmas sessions.

- 718. Report of the special committee as to police stations at Bishop's Stortford, Royston, and Great Berkhamstead.
- 741. Report of the highways committee. The committee recommend that the two bridges over the river Gade at Water's End, Great Gaddesden, should be adopted as county bridges, subject to their being first put into good repair, to the satisfaction of the county surveyor. They further, are of opinion that the road from the "Angel" inn, Little Hadham, to the toll bridge over the Lea at Stanstead, should be declared a main road.
- 746. Report by the county surveyor informing the magistrates that certain repairs directed to be made to county bridges have been carried out, with the exception of those to Roydon Bridge; in the case of which bridge the justices refused to sanction any repairs being made.
- 761. Report of the chief constable. 21st October.
- 776. Report of the executive committee appointed for the county of Herts, under the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, 1878, to make regulations for the proper inspection of dairies, cowsheds, milk stores and milk shops. December.

- 785. Draft resolution by the justices that the application for the adoption of Dobb's Weir bridge, partly in Hertford and partly in Essex, as a county bridge, be referred to the highways committee.
- 786. Motion that Mill Lane Bridge, Watton, be adopted as a county bridge, and draft resolution by the justices that the subject be referred to the highways committee.
- 787. Draft resolution by the justices that the county surveyor be directed to inspect the bridge over the river Brent between Totteridge and Whetstone, partly in Hertfordshire and partly in Middlesex, and report with a view to the consideration of the advisability of adopting part of the bridge as a county bridge.
- 788. Draft resolution by the justices that the county surveyor be directed to inspect the two bridges over the river Gade at Water End in the parish of Great Gaddesden, and to report to the next quarter sessions with a view to the court considering the advisability of adopting the said bridges as county bridges.
- 789. Draft resolution by the justices that the county surveyor be directed to inspect the two bridges over the river Ash, in the parish of Ware and Widford, recently erected by Mrs. Gosselin under his superintendence, and to report to the next quarter sessions with a view to the court then considering the advisability of adopting the said bridges as county bridges.
- 842. Accounts of the Three Counties Asylum for the past year. 23rd February.
- 882. General statement of tradesmen's accounts for repairs to the Shire Hall, county bridges, and roads over bridges. Easter sessions.
- 938. Similar statement. Michaelmas sessions.
- 967. Order of the Home Secretary that the salary of the clerk of the petty sessional division of Watford be fixed at £340 *per annum* instead of £320 as heretofore. 23rd March.

969. Letter from the county surveyor to Mr. A. R. Burton, of Buntingford, calling on him to immediately repair Sandon Lane Bridge, situated between Buntingford and Chipping, which had been damaged by the passage over it of a locomotive belonging to him. 24th March.
- 1001-1032. Newspapers containing advertisements relating to the diversion of highways in Tring.
- 1033-1039. Newspapers containing advertisements relating to the diversion of a highway in the parishes of St. Peter and St. Stephen.
1079. Schedule of documents deposited with the clerk of the peace.

BUNDLE FOR 1881.

9. Printed notice of application to be made for an order that a public footway in the hamlet of Hoddesdon, in the parish of Broxbourne, from a gate at the eastern end of a lane called Bell Lane in Hoddesdon, and extending in an easterly direction for 400 feet, and then in a northerly direction for 205 feet, and then turning again in an easterly direction through lands belonging to Alfred Manser, esquire, the Marquis of Salisbury, and the New River Company respectively, to the New River and the road leading from Hoddesdon to Epping, shall be diverted and turned as follows: that is to say, that a new public footway shall be made, from the said gate extending in a northerly and north-easterly direction over a field called Lampit Meadow for 165 feet, and then in a north-easterly and easterly direction over the same field for 425 feet, to a point in the old public footway at the second corner from the said gate, where the said old footway turns again in an easterly direction between lands of Alfred Manser; and that such part of the present footway as extends from the said gate to the said point where the said proposed new footway will enter the said present footway shall be stopped up. (See also Nos. 3, 5, 7, 12, 14, 16 (plan), 17 and 30). 21st January.

19. Complaint of Edward Larke, of Wymondham, as to the state of the road leading to Brick House Farm from the village of Great Hormead. (See No. 367). 15th March.
21. Plan of the foregoing road.
24. Plan of a new road, and of an old road proposed to be closed, in the parish of Furneux Pelham. (See No. 31).
26. Certificate of the completion of a new highway or footway in the parish of St. Peter's, in St. Albans. 2nd April.
31. Certificate of completion of a new highway in the parish of Furneux Pelham. (See No. 24).
- 35a. Consent of Walter Justice to the diversion of a footpath, adjacent to Manor Road, and lying between Wood Street in the parish of Chipping Barnet, and May's Lane in the said parish. (See also volume for 1882, Nos. 3, 4, 7, 11, 12, 14, 15, 18, and 24). 17th November.
39. Notice of application to divert, turn and stop up a certain part of an old highway, being a carriageway, in the parish of Rickmansworth, leading from Batchworth Heath to Grove Green, Eastbury, Hamper Mill, and other places. (See Nos. 38, 40, 42 and 43, and 1882, No. 19). 22nd October.
157. Report regarding the condition of the Shire Hall. 1st January.
180. Chief Constable's report to Epiphany Sessions; similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 298, 396 and 513.
184. Report of the liberty of St. Albans finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 325, 389 and 496.
186. Report of the lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Session, see Nos. 348, 436 and 527.
194. Report of the constabulary committee regarding the scheme suggested for the re-organisation of the police force of the county. 21st February.

202. Report of the committee of visitors upon their audit of the accounts of the treasurer and clerk of the Three Counties Asylum. 28th February.
226. Report of the highways committee recommending the adoption as main roads of (1) so much of the road commencing at Water End, and passing through Piccot's End and Moor End, and terminating by junctions with the main road leading from Tring to Watford, as to one part at a point near Boxmoor railway station, and as to the other part, at a point near Two Waters, as does not lie within the town of Hemel Hempstead and its suburbs; and (II), that portion of the road from the south-westerly side of the bridge over the London and North Western Railway near Tring station, and thence passing towards the town of Tring and terminating at the boundary between the parish of Tring and the parish of Aldbury.

The Committee do not recommend that the Walsworth road be made a main road, as that road is almost entirely within the town of Hitchin.

They refer to the fact that an order was made at the last Quarter Sessions, declaring the Hadham highway, from the Angel Inn, Little Hadham, to the toll bridge over the Lee at Stanstead, a main road, and recommend that this order be confirmed.

Attached is a return of the expenses of the maintenance of main roads in various parts of the county, a statement of those roads which the surveyor reports have not been maintained to his satisfaction, and a report regarding the insufficient drainage of the main roads; also statement regarding the complaint made at the last Quarter Session of the non-repair of certain highways in the parishes of Great Amwell, Broxbourne, and Wormley. 29th December.

232. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans on the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 285, 374 and 477.
234. Special report of the county constabulary committee. Epiphany Sessions.

236. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division on the Contagious Diseases (Animals) Act, to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 259, 376 and 503.
238. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
246. List of county gaols and police stations, etc., with particulars of the grants or leases under which they are held, and the names of the trustees:—
- Gaol at Buntingford.
 - Gaol at Berkhamstead.
 - Court-house at St. Albans.
 - Land for Standon Bridge.
 - Militia stores at Hatfield.
 - Police station, Hemel Hempstead.
 - Police station, Bishops Stortford.
 - Police station, Watford.
 - Site for police station, Ware.
 - Site for police station, Buntingford.
 - Additional police station, Berkhamstead.
247. Report of the visiting justices of the prison at St. Albans for the year 1880. Epiphany.
249. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 327, 391 and 500.
252. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 280, 385 and 494.
- 253-4. Report of the police committee. Epiphany Sessions.
263. Report of the Shire Hall committee, regarding the question of the provision of a fireproof room in the Shire Hall for the preservation of the county records. The committee is of the opinion that a new room should be built, and suggests that a record room be constructed adjoining the proposed new Hertford lock-up. 24th March.

271. Report of the highways committee ; they recommend : that the orders made at the last Quarter Sessions, declaring the roads mentioned, *ante* (No. 226), to be main roads, be confirmed.

Details of the expenses of maintenance of the main roads, and orders for payment to highway authorities.

Report of such roads as have not been maintained to the satisfaction of the surveyor.

Statement regarding the claim by the Cheshunt Local Board to be repaid half the cost of watering the main roads.

Notice of an application having been received from Mr. Samuel Plume, of Hoddesdon, for permission to make some alterations to the Hoddesdon county bridge, with a view to his obtaining a better building line, and recommendation by the committee that Mr. Plume's request be granted. 28th March.

278. Report of the police committee. Easter Sessions.
343. Draft resolution relating to the lock-up at Hertford. Easter Sessions.
344. Draft resolution that the offer of the Hitchin Town Hall Company to grant a room for petty sessional purposes be accepted.
361. Report of the county surveyor to the highways committee on roads within the Watford highway board district, the Barnet local board district, and the East Barnet Valley local board district, and other matters connected with the highways. 16th June.
366. Report on the condition of the road in the parish of Great Hormead, complained of by Mr. Edmund Larke. (See No. 19). 16th June.
368. Report on the condition of the main road through the parishes of Broxbourne and Wormley. Undated.
370. Report on the road through Chorley Green and towards Rush Green, between Stanstead and Hertford. 16th June.
378. Report of the highways commiteee, stating that the following roads ought to be main roads :—

(1) So much of a portion of a road, known by the name of Wood Street, as does not lie within the town of Barnet.

(2) A portion of a road known as the Great North Road commencing at the boundary of the district of the Chipping Barnet local board, and running in a south-easterly direction to the boundary between the counties of Hertford and Middlesex.

The committee is of opinion that a portion of a road known as the Great North Road, commencing in the town of Barnet at the boundary between Hertford and Middlesex, and thence running in a south-easterly direction to the boundary of the district, should not be declared a main road, it being a street in the town of Barnet.

Statement with regard to the accounts of the highway authorities ; and recommendation that the county surveyor should report upon the state of certain roads in the parishes of Great Amwell, Broxbourne and Wormley, which have been complained of.

Statement that the committee are not satisfied that the road in the parish of Great Hornead, referred to in the complaint of Mr. Larke, should be repaired by that parish.
20th June.

385. Report of the county finance committee relating to lock-up expenditure. Midsummer.

387. List of County Bridges requiring repair :—

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| Bayford. | Tonwell. |
| Bulls Mill. | Rib Bridge. |
| Goldings No. I. | Westmill. |
| Goldings No. II. | Roxford. |
| Goldings No. III. | Water Hall. |
| Hertingfordbury. | Woolmers to Cole Green. |
| Holiwell. | Buckland. |
| Jenningsbury. | Buntingford. |
| Long Bridge. | Chalk Pit Hill. |
| Corneybury. | New Bridge. |
| Spellbrook. | Ford Bridge. |
| Hannells. | Westmill. |
| Welwyn. | Bardolphs. |
| Sacomb Arches. | Reedwood. |

St. Albans Division.

Colney Street.
Holywell.
London Colney.

Bushey Mill.
Medbourn.
Watford Mill.

393. Report of the police committee. Midsummer.
413. Return showing the number of persons apprehended by constables and remanded to station-houses or gaols between midsummer 1880, and midsummer 1881.
- 432-3. Draft resolution regarding the expenditure on lock-ups. Undated
435. Draft resolution with regard to the purchase of property in Castle Street, Hertford, and for the payment of contractors, and for the acceptance of a tender for work at Hertford. Undated.
449. Draft resolution that the management of public pauper lunatic asylums should be undertaken by the State. Undated.
485. Report of the surveyor regarding the lock up accommodation in the county. 5th October.
490. Report of the highways committee, recommending that the orders made as to the roads mentioned (*ante* No. 378), be confirmed.

The committee state that they declined to recommend that so much of the roads within the districts of the Barnet local board, as were situate in the town of Barnet, should be declared to be main roads, on the ground that it was never contemplated by the Act of 1878, that one half of the expense of maintaining streets in towns should be paid out of the county rate, seeing that the traffic over them was, in a great measure, local.

They have received a letter from the Barnet local board asking for a reconsideration of their decision, but their opinion on the subject has not altered.

Details of expenditure by the highway authorities upon the main roads in various parishes follow. 10th October.

498. Report of the police committee. Michaelmas.

505. Report of the county surveyor, stating that his attention has been called to a dilapidated bridge situated on the main road, late the Baldock and Bournbridge Turnpike Trust, which was stated to be a bridge formerly repaired by the Trust, and consequently now repairable by the county authority. He states that he has received notice from the justices of the Royston petty sessional bench, that they have come to the conclusion that the county is liable. The bridge in question is stated to be situated at Sandon, between Royston and Baldock, and carries the main road over a branch of the river Ivel; it is a brick structure about 30 feet wide, and has a waterway of about 6 feet. Both parapets have disappeared, the south end of the bridge for several feet has fallen down, the foundations of the remainder have sunk, and the whole fabric is in a very shaky condition and might at any moment give way under heavy traffic. Further suggestion regarding preparation of estimate of cost for re-building. Michaelmas.

540. "Report of the county surveyor, regarding the main roads and the cost of their maintenance. He states that the Reading Turnpike Trust expired on 1st November last, since when the road from Hatfield through the towns of St. Albans, Watford and Rickmansworth, to the boundary of the county near Chorley Wood Common, has become a main road, and several of the bridges upon it, formerly repaired by the Trustees, are now repairable by the county authority."

He states that he has received a communication from the clerk of the Hemel Hempstead highway authority, to the effect that great inconvenience is caused by the narrowness of the bridge carrying the main road over the river Gade at Moor End, both as regards the available width used by the public, and of the arches, which obstruct the flow of the stream, and that the local highway authority has come to the conclusion that, if they can obtain the assistance of the county, they will alter the existing bridge or build a new one.

He then deals with the works of drainage in connection with the main road through the parish of Broxbourne, and

reports generally on the condition of the main road through the parish of Wormley. 15th December.

- 548. Report of the visiting justices of St. Albans prison for the year 1881. Christmas.
- 561. Order for the execution of repairs to the amount of £200, in connection with the county bridges specified by the county surveyor in his report. Undated.

BUNDLE FOR 1882.

- 11. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order that a footpath, situate in the parish of Chipping Barnet, beyond and without the district of the Barnet Local Board, leading from a road there called Manor Road, commencing on the western side of such road and continuing in a south-westerly direction through a close of land, the property of Charles Godson, to the southern corner of such close, thence continuing through a close of land, the property of Augustus Bryant, Edward Bevan, Ap Rees Bryant and Frederick Bryant, trustees of Charles Bryant, deceased, and running alongside the fence forming the eastern boundary of such last-mentioned close, and terminating at a stile leading into a public road called May's Lane, in the same parish, the total length of the said footpath being 420 yards 2 feet, with an average width of 3 feet, may be diverted, stopped and turned in and over a new highway, which new highway runs through the lands of the said Charles Godson and Walter Justice, and is a continuation of Manor Road, and is situate in the said parish, being from the point where the footpath is desired to be diverted, to the stile in May's Lane, 423 yards 2 feet in length, and of an average width of 40 feet, and will run in a direct line from the town of Barnet to May's Lane. (See Bundle for 1881, No. 33, and Bundle for this year, Nos. 3, 5, 7, 9, 14, 15, 18 (map), and 24). 10th February.
- 19. Certificate by two justices of completion of diversion of a highway in Rickmansworth. (See Bundle for 1881, No. 39). 27th March.

23. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order for stopping up a footway situate in the parish of East Barnet, commencing at a road called Gloucester Road East, and continuing in a south-westerly direction across land belonging to John Jackson Crosbie, and George Dickinson Byfield, until it reaches a road at East Barnet called Long Street. (See Nos. 12, 14, 25, 27 (plan), and 28). 6th April.
226. List of tenders for carrying out the works for Sandon Cat Bridge. Epiphany Sessions:
229. Report of lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 315, 389 and 492.
231. Report of committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
238. Report of the highways committee; application of Hemel Hempstead parish for assistance in rebuilding a bridge at Moor End, Hemel Hempstead. (See Nos. 320, 384 and 557). Epiphany Sessions.
244. Report of the sub-committee for the St. Albans division on the contagious diseases (animals) act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 372, 434 and 502.
246. Similar report of the sub-committee of the Hertford division to Epiphany Sessions; for the like reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 374, 381 and 500.
248. Report of the police committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 310, 403 and 510.
250. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions (Sandon Cat Bridge, road over Watford bridges, etc.); for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 313, 401 and 486.
252. Report of the Liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 312, 437 and 508.

254. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee, Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 449 and 568. The report to Easter Sessions is apparently missing.
256. Report upon the condition of roads in the parish of Great Amwell. Epiphany Sessions.
260. Quarterly return of the chief constable to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar returns to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 326, 405 and 606.
286. Report on condition of the road at Chadwell Hill, between Hertford and Ware. Easter Sessions.
290. Recommendation of the justices of the Royston petty sessional bench, that the erection of Sandon Cat Bridge be postponed. (See Nos. 226 and 313). 15th March.
320. Report of the highways committee. They recommend that the orders declaring the following roads to be main roads, be confirmed :—

Portions of road known as Wood Street and High Street Barnet.

Such portions of the roads leading from Bishop's Stortford to Dunmow, and from Bishop's Stortford to Little Hadham as do not lie within the town of Bishop's Stortford and are within the district of the Bishop's Stortford Local Board.

They also recommend that the Hertfordshire half of the bridge over the Brent between Totteridge and Whetstone be in future repaired by the county, under the following conditions :—

(1) That the bridge be put into thorough repair to the satisfaction of the surveyors of the counties of Hertford and Middlesex.

(2) That the parapet be raised, as advised by the Hertfordshire county surveyor.

(3) That the other half of the bridge be adopted by the justices of Middlesex as a county bridge. (See Nos. 238, 384 and 557). Easter.

348. Surveyor's report on Court House buildings. 5th April.

363. Report of Court House committee. . Easter Sessions.
384. Report of the highways committee. They defer reporting upon an application from the Hemel Hempstead highway authority for assistance in rebuilding the bridge at Moor End. They are not prepared to advise that the application for Watton Mill Lane Bridge to be adopted as a county bridge, be acceded to.

As to the adoption of Dobb's Weir Bridge, conjointly with the county of Essex, as a county bridge, the county surveyor reports that the additions recommended by the highways committee at Easter Sessions, 1880, have been completed. At the same time it was agreed that each county should contribute £250 ; it will, therefore, be necessary to make an order for the payment of that sum to the treasurer of the bridge building fund when an intimation is received that a similar order has been made by the county of Essex.

A bill has been introduced into Parliament by the Great Eastern Railway Company which proposes to interfere with a county bridge at Theobald's Lane in the parish of Cheshunt ; the clerk of the peace has prepared clauses, for the protection of the bridge, to be inserted in the bill. (See Nos. 238, 320 and 557). Midsummer.

397. Report of the surveyor that the following twenty-eight county bridges in the Hertford and St. Albans division require repair, the cost of which is estimated at £150 :—

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| Cowbridge. | Spitalbrook. |
| Goldings No. 2. | Stanstead cross roads. |
| Jenningsbury culvert. | Burford. |
| Rib. | Colliers End. |
| Sawbridgeworth. | Gregs. |
| South Mill. | Harlow. |
| New Bridge, Puckeridge. | Hamels. |
| Cole's Park. | Hailey Hall. |
| Cheshunt Wash. | Puckeridge. |
| Cheshunt Street. | Walkern. |
| Hoddesdon. | Reedwood. |
| Little Lee. | |

St. Albans Division.

Holywell.

Hunton.

St. Michaels.

Hunton Canal.

Redbourne.

474. Report of the surveyor on the desirability of immediately repairing the road at Chadwell Hill. (See Nos. 286 and 318).

536. Report of the Court House committee. 14th October.

557. Report of the highways committee. The county surveyor has certified that the two bridges over the river Gade at Water End, Great Gaddesden, have been put into repair, and they therefore are now adopted as county bridges.

The Hemel Hempstead highway authority had sent in an amended application that the two bridges at Moor End and Water End should be adopted as county bridges, but the committee are not prepared to make any recommendation thereon. (See Nos. 238, 320 and 384). Michaelmas Sessions.

1606. Letter from the Home Secretary thanking, by command of the Queen, the justices for their loyal address on the subject of the recent attempt upon her life. 27th April.

1616. Letter from the chief constable calling attention to the obstruction and danger caused by traction engines in the county. 14th September.

BUNDLE for 1883.

19. Printed notice of application for an order to divert a public footway in the hamlet of Hoddesdon, in the parish of Broxbourne, running from a gate on the bank on the west side of the New River through a field called Nicholl Field, until it enters another footpath known as the Church Path. In lieu of this two new footways are to be made; one commencing at a point 212 feet 6 inches from the said gate, extending over the said Nicholl Field until it enters the said Church Path; and the other commencing at the same point in the said firstly described footway, extending

in a direct southerly direction, and then turning in a south-westerly or westerly direction until it enters the said Church Path. Such part of the present footway as extends from the said point where the proposed new footway commences as aforesaid, to the point where the said present footway enters the Church Path aforesaid, shall be stopped up. See Nos. 3, 5, 7, 8, 10, 11, 13 (plan), 14, 16 (plan), 17, 22, 29, 31, 33 (plan), 34, 49, and 81). 3rd March.

26. Printed notice of application for an order to divert, turn and stop up a certain highway, being a footpath, in the parish of Elstree, commencing at the south-eastern corner of a field there, numbered 114 on the ordnance map of the said parish, thence running across the said field to the north-western corner thereof, adjoining the parish churchyard of Elstree, thence running through the said churchyard into the High Street of Elstree. The said footpath is to be diverted so that the course thereof may be turned in and over a new highway or footpath now formed and substituted in lieu of such footpath or highway, and which new highway or footpath runs along the southern boundary of the aforesaid field to the south-west corner thereof, and thence through lands of Henry Hucks Gibbs, esquire, into the aforesaid High Street, and is wholly situate in that parish. (See Nos. 27, 28 (plan), 36, 40, 42, 44, 46, 48, and 85). 19th April.
52. Plan of a "farm-homestead" known as Mentley, in the parish of Standon. 30th June.
67. Printed notice of application to be made for an order to divert, turn, and stop up a certain highway, being a road or carriageway, in the parish of Tring, within the jurisdiction of the Tring Local Board, leading out of the public road or carriageway called Wingrave Road, to a place called New Mill, commencing at a point on the west side of the said Wingrave Road, marked A on the plan hereinafter referred to, and thence proceeding in a north-westerly direction to a point on the north side of the said road where the fence divides the land of Thomas Mead from the land belonging to Sir Nathaniel Mayer de Rothschild,

baronet, and thence proceeding in a south-westerly direction to a point marked B on the said plan, where the said road or carriageway proposed to be stopped up enters the public road at New Mill aforesaid. In lieu of the above described road which it is proposed to stop up, a road or carriageway is to be made, commencing from a point marked C on the said plan leading out of Wingrave Road to New Mill aforesaid at the point marked B on the said plan. (See Nos. 56, 58 (plan), 59, 62, 64 (plan), 65, 75, 79 and 96). 2nd August.

69. Printed notice of an application for an order to stop up a certain useless road or carriageway, situate in the parish of Tring, and within the district and jurisdiction of the Tring Local Board, commencing at a point on the south side of the High Street of the town of Tring, adjoining to the premises of the Manor Brewery and to the Canvas factory, house and premises, which said point is marked A on the plan (No. 68), thence proceeding in a south-easterly direction to a point marked B on the said plan. (See Nos. 68 (plan), 70, 73 and 77). 2nd August.
91. Printed notice that application will be made for an order to stop up, divert and turn a public footpath or highway in the parish of Harpenden, leading out of Townshend Lane in the said parish and proceeding in a south-easterly direction till it joins a footpath leading into Harpenden churchyard. The new footpath, to be made in lieu of the above-mentioned footpath, commences about 22 yards from the point proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid in Townshend Lane, and proceeds to a gateway leading into land belonging to Mr. Robert Mather, and proceeds thence in a south-westerly direction to a point where the said old footway or highway is proposed to be stopped up, diverted and turned. (See No. 89, 92 (plan) and 93). 26th October.
306. Report of the justices appointed to enquire into the condition of the Shire Hall, recommending that certain alterations (described) be carried out at a cost not exceeding £250. Epiphany Sessions.
308. Report of the visiting justices on the prison at St. Albans ;

- they recommend certain alterations and comment on the want of a condemned cell. 1st January.
310. Draft order to the surveyors of the parish of Great Amwell, to repair the road called Chadwell Hill between Hertford and Ware, in the parish of Great Amwell. Epiphany Sessions.
319. Memorial of the Dobbs Weir Bridge committee to the justices for the county, enclosing the balance sheet shewing the cost of erecting the said bridge. 12th February.
335. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division on the contagious diseases (animals) act for Epiphany Sessions. For similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 391, 493 and 574.
337. Report of the highways committee; they recommend that that part of the road lying between the town of Tring and the boundary of the parish of Aldbury be declared a main road; that the order declaring such portion of a road leading from Shefford to Hitchin as lies within the parish of Ickleford, to be a main road, be confirmed; that the Great Amwell highway authority be ordered to repair a portion of a road from Ware to Hertford, and that Hunton Canal Bridge, which is out of repair, having been formerly repaired by the trustees of the Sparrows Herne Turnpike Trust, should now be repaired under the superintendence of the county surveyor at a cost not exceeding £50. Epiphany Sessions.
340. Report of the county lock-ups committee for Epiphany Sessions. For similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 379, 474 and 572.
344. Report of the county finance committee for Epiphany Sessions. For similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 411, 471, 505 and 581.
346. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee for Epiphany Sessions. For similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 453, 525 and 693.
348. Reports of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee (increase in the salary of the coroner for Hemel

Hempstead recommended) for Epiphany Sessions; similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 408, 510 and 692.

- 352. Report of the police committee for Epiphany Sessions. For similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 413, 503 and 586.
- 354. Report of the constabulary committee on the formation of a society for the suppression of professional mendicancy. Epiphany Sessions.
- 356. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
- 364. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division on the contagious diseases (animals) act for Epiphany Sessions. For similar reports for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 374, 483 and 578.
- 381. Report of the highways committee; they advise, *inter alia*, that such portion of the old North Road passing through the parishes of Stevenage, Baldock and Biggleswade, as lies within the district of the Hitchin highway board, be, after the necessary inspection by the county surveyor, declared a main road, the said road being a direct communication between London and the North, and having been disturnpiked as recently as 1868. Easter Sessions.
- 404. Herts constabulary; quarterly return of crime for the Epiphany quarter. For similar returns for Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 497, 567 and 674.
- 469. Report by the county surveyor that the highway authority has carried out the contract to repair the portion of the road at Chadwell Hill between Hertford and Ware, lying within the parish of Great Amwell. Midsummer Sessions.
- 480. Annual survey of county bridges; the following are reported as being in need of repair:—

Hertford Division.

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| Chipping Bridge. | Stanborough Bridge. |
| Chalk Pit Hill Bridge. | Welwyn Bridge. |
| Brook End Bridge. | Hatfield Bridge. |

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| Plashes Bridge. | Bridge on road from Woolmers |
| Hammell's Bridge. | to Cole Green. |
| Grigg's Bridge. | Cow Bridge. |
| Digswell Bridge. | Theobald's Lane Bridge. |
| Lemsford Bridge. | Little Lee Bridge. |
| Westmill Bridge. | |

St. Albans Division.

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| Hunton Bridge. | St. Michael's Bridge. |
| London Colney Bridge. | Bushey Mill Bridge. |

21st June.

513. Report of the county surveyor as to highways, with a schedule giving detailed particulars of the condition of the main roads for the past year. June.

527. Report of the highways committee. The county surveyor advises that an arrangement be made by the highway surveyor of the Board with the surveyor of highways of the adjoining district, in the county of Bedford, for the repair of those parts of the old North Road, within the district of the Hitchin Highway Board, where the county boundary lies in the centre. The committee recommend that, subject to such arrangement and to the performance of certain works, the order adopting the said road as a main road be confirmed.

Applications have been received from the Bishops Stortford Local Board and the Hadham Highway Board, in respect of so much of the road from Bishops Stortford to Much Hadham as lies within the districts of these Boards, but the committee do not recommend the adoption of this road as a main road.

Application has been received from the Hadham Highway Board in respect of so much of the road between Bishops Stortford and Little Hadham as lies within the district of this Board; subject to the carrying out of certain works which the county surveyor has reported as necessary, the committee recommend that the road be adopted as a main road.

The committee also recommend confirming an order de-

claring so much of the road as lies between the town of Tring and the parish of Aldbury a main road.

With respect to the proposed new bridge over the Colne at Watford, should the Watford Local Board be willing to join in the expense, and if the county be not called upon to contribute more than £100, the committee recommend that the work be proceeded with. Midsummer Sessions.

- 555. Report of the Parliamentary Committee. 4th July.
- 559. Order of the Secretary of State fixing the annual salary of the clerk of the justices of the petty sessional division of Barnet at £160. 28th July.
- 562. Petition of the vestry of King's Langley to Quarter Sessions in respect to Sparrows Hurn turnpike road in the said parish. 17th August.
- 613. Report of the committee appointed to communicate with the corporation of St. Albans with a view to arrangements for the future use and maintenance of the Court House. Michaelmas Sessions.
- 615. Memorial of the highway board of the Watford highway district as to the main roads in the district. 18th October.
- 645. Application from Capt. Terry, superintendent of the Herts constabulary, to the chief constable, for an increase of police at Watford. 4th December.
- 706. Memorial from certain members of the Hitchin highway board to the court of Quarter Sessions against the subtraction of the parish of Knebworth from the Hitchin highway district. Undated.
- 714. Draft memorial to the Home Secretary and Local Government Board, to amend the law relating to the use of traction engines on highways.
- 1515. Three Counties Asylum, statement of accounts for the year 1882. 26th February.

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- 2. Certificate of the completion of a new public footway at Harpenden. 26th March.

13. Printed notice of application for diverting and stopping up a certain highway, being a portion of a footpath, in the parish of Totteridge, leading from Totteridge to Mill Hill, commencing at the north-east corner of a field belonging to Samuel Bagster Boulton and continuing in a southerly direction, to a point near the north-east corner of another adjacent field also belonging to him. It is desired that the course of this footpath be diverted and turned over a new highway now substituted in lieu of such footpath and which runs over the aforesaid fields in a direct straight line from the aforesaid commencement of the said highway or footpath so proposed to be diverted and stopped up, to the aforesaid termination there. (See Nos. 1, 6, plan, 9, 11, 13, 24 and 26). 16th July.
23. Notice of application to be made to the justices of the peace for an order for stopping up as unnecessary a certain highway or footpath running from a point on the southern boundary of Kitswell Park, Ridge, diagonally across the said park in a north-easterly direction to a point near the mansion house in the said park, where the said footpath crosses the boundary line of the parish of Ridge. (See Nos. 14, 16, 30, 32, 34, plan, 35, plan, 36 and 37).
27. Printed notice of application for an order to divert and turn a public footway known as "Scott's Hill Footpath" in the parish of Great Amwell, within the district of the Local Board of Health for the district of Ware, commencing at the three posts with a gate on the south side of the London Road, and thence continuing in a southerly direction until it reaches a point at the north-east corner of Warner Road, in the following manner :—
 First, that a new public footway shall be made commencing at the last-mentioned point, and thence continuing in a north-easterly direction through lands, also situate in the parish of Great Amwell and within the district of the said Local Board of Health, to the point where the said new footway will join the London Road, at the north-east corner of Millbrook House, in the said parish and district; and that such part of the said present footway known as "Scott's Hill Footpath" as extends from the said point

at the north-east corner of Warner Road to the said three posts and gates, shall be stopped up. (See Nos. 19; plan, 20, 28, 29, 41 and 43). 20th August.

190. Report of the highways committee as to the maintenance of main roads in the districts of the Watford highway board, the roads in the parish of King's Langley, the roads in the parish of Therfield, etc. (See Nos. 265, 398 and 463). Epiphany Sessions.
194. Report of the lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter and Midsummer Sessions, see Nos. 323 and 406) ; that for Michaelmas Sessions appears to be missing.
196. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 293, 373 and 513.
- 197a. Report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 329, 371 and 426.
198. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 295, 375 and 459.
200. Report of the police committee. Epiphany Sessions.
202. Special report of the constabulary committee. Epiphany Sessions.
206. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
213. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division on the contagious diseases (animals) Act, 1878, to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 263, 356 and 432.
215. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division on the foregoing subject to Epiphany Sessions ; similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 285, 358 and 443).
217. Report of the Court House committee. Epiphany Sessions.

219. Report of the Shire Hall committee. Epiphany Sessions.
221. Notice of an order that the Hitchin highway district, consisting of the following parishes or places, or parts of parishes or places: Baldock, Bygrave, Caldecot, Clothall, Gravely, Great Wymondley, Hexton, Hitchin (except such part as is under the management of a local board), Ickleford, Langley, Letchworth, Lilley, Little Wymondley, Newnham, Norton, Offley, Pirton, Preston, Radwell, Stevenage, Walsworth, Weston and Willian, be altered by the subtraction therefrom of the parish of Great Wymondley. 14th January.
236. Report of the committee of visitors upon their audit of the accounts of the treasurer and clerk of the Three Counties Asylum for the year 1883. 25th February.
256. Report of the county surveyor regarding the condition of the main road through the parishes of Great Hormead and Layston, and the parish road from the railway crossing Hatfield Hyde to Cole Green. 20th March.
265. Report of the highways committee as to the county bridge at Hoddesdon and the two bridges carrying the road from Bishop's Stortford to Cambridge over the Stort and over a tributary of the Stort, with remarks upon the question of its repair. Easter Session.
297. Report of the police committee. Easter Sessions.
344. Report of the chief constable dealing with objections to the employment of the constabulary as "bringers of recruits," and distributors of recruiting notices. 4th April.
353. Report as to the polling places in the county, Midsummer.
361. Report of the county constabulary. 26th March.
382. Report of the police committee. Midsummer.
398. Report of the highways committee. In connection with the Metropolitan Railway (various powers) Bill 1884, by which the company seek power to divert and alter the levels of a short length of main road from Aylesbury to Rickmansworth, known as Chorley Wood Lane, the company have undertaken to insert certain clauses which the committee state to

be in accordance with the report of the county surveyor on the matter.

With reference to the Hoddesdon Water Order of 1884, the county surveyor has reported on the scheme, and considers that the company should submit some satisfactory plan for crossing Hoddesdon county bridge before receiving permission to proceed, and should make good the county road and the main road to his satisfaction. The committee report that the company have entered into the following agreement :—

(1) That all pipes at any time hereafter to be laid by the company over or under Hoddesdon county bridge, or the approaches, shall be laid and placed in such position as the county surveyor shall direct, in accordance with plans, drawings and specifications, to be approved of by him.

(2) That the company shall not acquire any ownership in the bridge or approaches.

(3) That works affecting main roads shall be executed in accordance with plans, etc., to be approved by the county surveyor, and that all works affecting the bridge or main road shall be carried out under his superintendence.

(4) That the company shall subsequently maintain the works to the satisfaction of the county surveyor and make good all damage.

(5) The company to remove, divert and replace the pipes over the bridge at the request of the justices.

(6) Agreement not to imply any obligation on the part of the justices to maintain the bridge. (See also Nos. 190, 265 and 463). Midsummer.

401. Return of crime for the quarter ended 24th June last, 2nd July 1884.

410. List of county bridges requiring repair :—

Hertford Division.

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| Bayford Bridge. | Holiwell Bridge. |
| Berkhamsted Bridge. | Essenden Bridge. |
| Bedwell Bridge. | |

Buntingford Division.

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| Biggin Bridge. | Cole's Lodge Bridge, Puckeridge. |
| Buntingford Bridge. | Sandon Lane Bridge. |
| Stapleton Bridge. | |

Cheshunt Division.

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| Cheshunt Street Bridge. | Turner's Hill Bridge. |
| Cheshunt Wash Bridge. | Cheshunt Wash Culvert. |
| Spital Brook, Hoddesdon. | |

Hitchin Division.

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| Burford Bridge. | Red Cross Bridge, Little |
| Purnell Bridge. | Wymondley. |
| Folly Bridge. | |

Welwyn Division.

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| Lockleys Bridge. | Welwyn Bridge. |
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Ware Division.

Hobb's Farm Bridge.

Midsummer Sessions.

411. Report of the justices on the condition of the Shire Hall. Midsummer.
418. Report of the directors of the Bishop's Stortford Market Company, as to the expenses of enlarging the room used as a Petty Sessional Court House for the division of Bishop's Stortford. 23rd September.
422. Surveyor's report relating to the repairs of the following highways:—
- (1) The main road through the parishes of Great Hor-
mead and Layston.
- (2) The parish road from the railway crossing at Hatfield
Hyde to Cole Green, through the parishes of Hatfield and
Hertingfordbury. 25th September.
449. Report of the police committee. 10th October.
452. Return of crime for the quarter ended 29th September.

463. Report of the highways committee as to a bridge over the river Ver at Park Street ; the county bridge at Hoddesden ; the building of a bridge over the Longdale stream ; and the non-repair of the road through the parishes of Great Hor-
mead and Layston, and the parish road, from the railway crossing at Hatfield Hyde, to Cole Green. 29th September.
507. Report as to the memorial from residents between Long-
marston and Wingrave, requesting that a bridge may be built by the county over the Langdale stream. (See also No. 537). 22nd December.
517. Scheme of proposed polling districts.
523. Draft resolution of sympathy on the part of the justices with the Queen and the Duchess of Albany on the death of Prince Leopold.
538. Report recommending the building of a new bridge over the Ver at Park Street, in the place of the present one which needs repair. Undated.
539. Report of the highways committee, recommending that orders be made declaring portions of the following roads to be main roads ; namely, so much of the road between the town of Bishop's Stortford and Little Hadham as lies within the district of the Hadham highway board, and so much of the road from the north end of the town of Bishop's Stortford to Fanhams and Clavering as lies within the district of the Bishop's Stortford local board. Midsummer Sessions.
540. Draft resolution that the complaint made to Michaelmas Sessions of the non-repair of roads in the parishes of Great Hor-
mead and Layston, and the road from the railway crossing Hatfield Hyde to Cole Green, be referred back to the surveyor to inspect the roads again, and report at Easter. Undated.
555. Draft resolution that provision be made for excluding that portion of the parish of St. Peter which has been added to the City of St. Alban's, from future police rates ; and that provision be made for property now forming part of the parishes of Little Gaddesden and Tring under the operation

of the Divided Parishes Acts 1876 and 1882, being included in future county and police rates.

560. Draft resolution that the question of providing an efficient police station at Hitchin be referred back to the committee appointed for special purposes in connection with the county lock-ups, with authority to have working plans and elevations prepared.
564. Draft resolution that a copy of so much of the county surveyor's report as relates to default in maintaining highways in the parishes of Great Hornead, Layston, and Hatfield, be forwarded to each of the highway authorities with an intimation that if the defects were not remedied within four months, that an order would be made under the provisions of the Highways and Locomotives Amendment Act, 1878. That the subject be referred back to the county surveyor with directions to inspect the roads again, and to report to the Court at the next quarter sessions.
590. Draft resolution that so much of the road between the town of Bishop's Stortford and Little Hadham as lies within the district of the Hadham highway board, and so much of the road from the north end of the town of Bishop's Stortford to Fanhams and Clavering as lies within the district of the Bishop's Stortford local board, be declared main roads.
595. Draft resolution that the provisional order made at the last quarter sessions, altering the Hitchen highway district by the subtraction therefrom of the parish of Little Wymondley, be confirmed, subject to an adjustment of any matters of account between parishes or parts of districts in consequence of the above order.
596. Draft resolution that the provisional order made at the last quarter sessions, altering the Hitchen highway district by the subtraction therefrom of the parish of Great Wymondley, be confirmed, subject to an adjustment of any matters of account between parishes or parts of districts in consequence of the above order.
603. Draft resolution that an order be made for payment to the county surveyor of his charges in connection with the pre-

paration of plans and superintendence of the erection of the police station at Royston.

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8. Notice of application for an order that part of a public footway between Harpenden churchyard and Harpendenbury farm, in the parish of Harpenden, commencing at the south-easterly corner of a field called Upper Church Wick, about 16 yards from where the said footway leaves the churchyard, to the point where it enters the field known as Church Long Croft, shall be stopped up, and that a new footway be made in lieu thereof, commencing at the last-mentioned point and continuing thence in a north-easterly direction, and alongside the hedge of the said field known as Church Long Croft, to its south-easterly corner, and thence in a straight line, across the field called Upper Church Wick, to the point at its south-easterly corner, from which it is proposed to stop up the present footway. The length of the new footway will be about 311 yards. (See also Nos. 5, 6, 7 (plan), 9, 10, 14, 15, 16, 18, 19 (plan), 20, 21, 22, 23, 24-33. 13th February.
11. Certificate by two justices that a new footpath in the parish of Amwell (made in lieu of an old one called Scotts Hill Footpath which had been stopped up) has been completed ; (see 1884, Nos. 19, etc.) 24th March.
17. Certificate by two justices that a new highway, lately made in the parish of Berkhamstead St. Peter, leading from the High Street to the railway station, has been completed. 13th May 1885.
36. Notice of application for an order to stop up a certain footpath in the urban sanitary district of East Barnet Valley, about 1,360 feet long, commencing on the east side of the Great Northern Railway (main line) about 175 feet north of the footbridge, crossing the said railway at Oakleigh Park Station, and continuing, across land belonging to Philip Pethick Perry, to the highway called East Barnet Road, and in lieu of such footpath to make a new roadway or street of

the length of about 1,320 feet across the land of the said Perry into the East Barnet road. (See also Nos. 3, 4, 37-40, 41, 42 plan. 25th July.

45. Notice of application for an order to entirely stop up, as unnecessary, a certain highway in the urban sanitary district of Barnet, from the northern side of the high road leading from Barnet to Watford near Barnet Common, and continuing in a northerly direction, on the western side of the Black Horse Pond, till it reaches a certain road leading from Ravenscroft Park to Union Street in the town of Barnet. (See also Nos. 43, 44, 46, 54, 55, 56 and 57 plan.) 17th October.
221. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 338, 418 and 496.
223. Report of the police committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 377, 461 and 508.
227. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 373, 422 and 494.
229. Return made to Epiphany Sessions of crime for the quarter ended 25th December, 1884; for similar returns to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 323, 408 and 502.
240. Report of the sub-committee for Hertford division on the contagious diseases (animals) Act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 305, 393 and 474.
253. Report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 375, 416 and 500.
255. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.

271. Report of the Shire Hall (Hertford) committee as to alterations and repairs. Epiphany Sessions.
273. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division on the contagious diseases (animals) Act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 343, 425 and 486.
275. Report of the county lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter and Midsummer Sessions, see Nos. 307 and 381. (No report to Michaelmas Sessions).
277. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum upon the accounts of the asylum for the year ended 31st December, 1884. 23rd February.
309. Report of the highways committee to Easter Sessions. The committee are not prepared to recommend the adoption, as a main road, of so much of the road from Markyate Street to Luton as lies in the parish of Caddington; they defer reporting on a memorial from residents between Long Marston and Wingrave, requesting the building of a bridge over the Langdale stream, until a deputation of the said residents shall have attended the next meeting of the committee. Certain roads in the parishes of Great Hornead, Layston, Hatfield and Hertingfordbury, as to which complaint has been made, have been repaired. Park Street bridge has been completed; Scott's Mill bridge, between Rickmansworth and Watford, has been repaired. The committee maintain their opinion that there is no necessity for a new bridge over the Gade at the Moor End, Hemel Hempstead. 23rd March.
359. Draft resolution, referring to the county finance committee the case, submitted to the Solicitor-General, as to the liability of the corporation of Hertford to contribute to the cost of alterations in the Shire Hall. 9th April.
402. Report of the highways committee to Midsummer Sessions as to bridge over Langdale Stream; road at Gallows Hill, Ware, and condition of Bow Bridge. 2nd June.

414. Annual report in the divisions of Hertford and St. Albans on county bridges, with list of those requiring repair :—

Hertford Division.

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| Goldings Bridge. | Lime Kiln Hill Bridge. |
| West Mill Bridge. | Coles Lodge Bridge. |
| Rib Bridge. | Dassells Bridge. |
| Longbridge, Tonwell. | Harlow Bridge. |
| Tonwell. | Brook End Bridge. |
| Sacomb Arches. | Sawbridgeworth Bridge. |
| Bardolph's Bridge. | Spell Brook Bridge. |
| Ford Bridge, Puckeridge. | Woodhall Bridge. |
| Puckeridge Bridge. | Moor Bridge. |
| Gregs Bridge. | Burrows Bridge. |
| Hobbs Farm Bridge. | Bragbury End Bridge. |
| Beauchamp Bridge. | Frogmore Bridge. |
| Hamells Bridge. | |

St. Albans Division.

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| London Colney Bridge. | Colney Street Bridge. |
| Bow Bridge. | High Bridge. |

445. Second report of the committee appointed to give effect to the provisions of such parts of the Parliamentary Elections Act and the Registration Act as relate to the division of the county polling districts. Midsummer Sessions.
480. Report of the highways committee to Michaelmas Sessions. Recommended that order be made on the parish of Ware to repair Gallows Hill. 5th October.
484. Report of the Court House committee. Michaelmas Sessions.
539. Report on the condition of Gallows Hill, on the road leading from Hertford to Stanstead, in the parish of St. John's, Hertford. 21st October.
557. Draft resolution for an order for payment of £13 2s. 2d. in respect of rebuilding Park Street bridge. 2nd October.
620. Draft resolution that necessary repairs be executed to Bow bridge.

- 650. Draft resolution that it be referred back to the committee to purchase a further portion of Mr. Durrant's property adjoining the site of the police station at Hitchin, at a cost not exceeding £120.
- 673. Draft resolution that an order be made directing the highway authority of the parish of St. Michael's to repair the road leading from the Watford Road, opposite St. Stephen's Church, to the Hemel Hempstead Road.
- 681. Draft resolution that it be referred back to the committee to purchase from the Marquess of Salisbury the triangular piece of land adjoining the police station at Hatfield, at a cost not exceeding £320.
- 1173. Letter from the county surveyor as to repairs done to Scotts bridge and Park Street bridge. 25th March.

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- 12. Notice of application to be made to the justices for the St. Albans division of the county of Hertford, for an order that a portion of a public highway leading to Codicote, which runs out of a public highway from the village of Wheathamstead to Gustard Wood on the east side thereof, in the parish of Wheathamstead, shall be stopped up and diverted. The portion of the said highway proposed to be stopped up and diverted commences about 59 yards from the north side of the railway bridge at Wheathamstead and continues in a northerly direction to Codicote; it is proposed that a new highway be made in lieu thereof, commencing at the junction of the existing highway 38 yards from the north side of the said railway bridge and continuing in a north-easterly direction to the point where it is proposed to stop up the existing highway. (See also Nos. 6-10, 15, 17, plan, 18, 19, 31 and 32). 1st April.
- 30. Notice of application to the justices for an order for stopping up a certain highway, being a footway, situate in the parish of Berkhamstead Saint Peter, leading from the public road called Gilham's Lane into the public road called the King's Road, and for making in lieu thereof a new footway. (See also Nos. 22-29, 33-37, 57 and 58). 4th August.

49. Notice of application to be made to the justices for an order to stop up a portion of a certain public footpath which leads from Townshend Lane, in the parish of Harpenden, to a public footpath leading from Harpenden Churchyard to Harpenden Bury, and to make a new footpath in lieu thereof, branching off at a distance of about 87 yards from the south-east corner of the field called Upper Church Long Croft, and proceeding in an easterly direction along the field called Church Long Croft, and then joining the public footpath that merges into the highway leading from Luton to St. Albans. (See also Nos. 39, 50, plan, 53-56, and No. 6 in 1887). 21st October.
193. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 328, 464. (No report to Midsummer Sessions).
195. Report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 377, 432 and 468.
197. Return of crime for the quarter ended 25th December, 1885. For similar returns to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 330, 408 and 470. 1st January.
204. Report of the police committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 337, 405 and 473.
206. Report of the county surveyor on the state of the road leading from a point on the Watford Road, opposite St. Stephen's Church, to the Hemel Hempstead Road. 4th January.
231. Report of the county lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 390 and 449. (Report to Easter Sessions wanting).
233. Report of the highways committee to Epiphany Sessions. State of Gallows Hill; repairs to Bow Bridge; widening of the bridge over the Lee at Waltham; and proposed

interference by Parliament with county bridges on main roads. 21st December, 1885.

236. Supplemental report of the county surveyor to Quarter Sessions upon the condition of the main roads in the county to Epiphany Sessions.
241. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 324, 411 and 460.
256. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum to Epiphany Sessions; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see No. 267.
264. Report of the justices appointed to inspect the Shire Hall. Epiphany Sessions.
284. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division as to the contagious diseases (animals) Act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 289, 385 and 445.
286. Printed report of the Shire Hall (Hertford) committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 352 and 570.
291. Report of the county rate basis committee to Easter Sessions; for similar report to Michaelmas Sessions, see 455.
312. Further complaint as to the condition of the road at Gallows Hill in the parish of St. John's, Hertford. 26th March.
316. Report of the highways committee to Easter Sessions :— Gallows Hill; raising parapet of Watford Mill Bridge; Sawbridgeworth Bridge; and application by Hoddesdon Gas Company and Barnet Gas and Water Company for parliamentary powers to lay pipes. 29th March.
370. Resolution that Mr. Wilson be permitted to raise, at his own cost, the brickwork of the parapet wall of the Watford Mill bridge under the directions and to the satisfaction of the county surveyor. 8th April.
392. Report of the highways committee to Midsummer Sessions; Gallows Hill; Sawbridgeworth County Bridge and Spital Brook Bridge. 21st June.

375. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division as to the contagious diseases (animals) Act to Easter Sessions; for similar reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 388 and 457.
379. Report of the committee of visitors of the Harpenden House private asylum. Midsummer Sessions.
398. Report of the county surveyor on the state of the county bridges, with a list of those in need of repair :—
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| Jenningsbury Bridge. | Lime Kiln Hill Bridge. |
| Stanborough Bridge. | Newell Hill Bridge. |
| Townsend Bridge. | Reed End Bridge. |
| Poplars Green Bridge. | Therfield Bridge. |
| Woollen's Brook Bridge. | Barley Bridge. |
| Plashes Bridge (Collier's End) | Reedwood Bridge, Buckland. |
| Wadesmill Bridge. | Spital Brook Bridge. |
| Colliers End Bridge. | Newgate Street Bridge. |
| Chalk Pit Hill Bridge. | Digswell Bridge. |
| Coney Bury Bridge. | Holwell Bridge. |
| Chipping Bridge. | St. Michael's Bridge. |
422. Annual report of the county surveyor on the main roads.
451. Report of the highways committee to Michaelmas sessions : Main roads in the parish of Hemel Hempstead, moving traction engines through Hertfordshire without licence, etc. 24th October.
475. Report of the Court House committee to Michaelmas Sessions.
- 486a. Petition of James Charles Ring, of the Warwick Tavern, East Barnet Road, in the parish of East Barnet, for licence for music and dancing, together with schedule and plan. 18th October.
487. Draft resolution refusing the foregoing application. 18th October.
508. Complaint of the inhabitants of Hertford that the trade on market days is suffering materially by the general market being shifted from the market place, in consequence of repairs now going on at the Shire Hall. 20th October.

- 544. Further complaint as to the condition of the road at Gallows Hill. 17th December.
- 558. Special report of the county finance committee. 31st December.
- 562. Return of crime for the quarter ended 25th December.
- 573. Memorial of the inhabitants of Wormley, Broxbourne and Hoddesdon, requesting that a small county police station and lock-up may be erected at Hoddesdon 21st October.
- 623. Draft resolution that the recommendation of the county surveyor for the removal of the parapet walls of the Sawbridgeworth County Bridge and the addition of an iron staging on either side of the bridge to carry a footpath, be adopted, and the work performed by the county surveyor under the directions of the committee, at a cost not exceeding £50. (Undated).
- 1251. Letter from Mr. Henry Kendall to the Chairman of Quarter Sessions, Hertford, complaining of the state of the road from Mill Green to Hatfield. 3rd March.

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- 5. Request of Mr. Richard Hunt, of Stanstead, owner of South Mill, that a vestry meeting be convened to consider his application for the diversion of a footpath in the parish of Bishop's Stortford. (See Nos. 10, 11, 13 and 14). 18th June.
- 6. Certificate of two justices of the completion of a new footpath in the parish of Harpenden. (See also Volume for 1886, No. 49). 24th June.
- 11. Extract from minute book of the vestry of Bishop's Stortford, in the matter of the proposed diversion of a footpath. (See Nos. 5, 10, 13 and 14). 14th July.
- 10. Notice of vestry meeting to consider application for diversion of footpath in Bishop's Stortford. (See No. 5, 11, 13 and 14). 8th July.
- 13. Notice of adjourned vestry meeting. (See Nos. 5, 10, 11, 14). 22nd July.

14. Extract from the minute book of the vestry of Bishop's Stortford, approving the plans of diversion of the footpath. (See Nos. 5, 10, 11 and 13). 28th July.
147. Report of the Shire Hall committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 229, 360 and 506.
153. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division on the contagious diseases (animals) act to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 251, 345 and 428.
155. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division on the contagious diseases (animals) act to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 258, 362 and 419.
157. Report of the police committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Session, see Nos. 269, 367 and 433.
159. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 277, 381 and 438.
161. Report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 276, 397 (a), and 442.
163. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 278, 379 and 435.
170. Supplementary report of the county surveyor on the condition of main roads in Cheshunt, Great Amwell and Sacomb parishes. Epiphany Sessions.
175. Report of the highways committee, stating :—
 - (1) That the road called Gallows Hill is still in an unsatisfactory condition, but recommending that no further action be taken at present.
 - (2) That the work of widening the Sawbridgeworth County Bridge has been carried out. Epiphany Sessions.

196. Report of county lock-ups accommodation committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 328, 370 and 423.
198. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
210. Report of the committee of visitors upon their audit of the accounts of the treasurer and clerk of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
232. Report of the highways committee, recommending that the claim made by the Hadham Highway Board, in respect of the repair of a bridge carrying a footpath by the side of the main road, is a proper one; and that the consideration of a memorial from the East Barnet Valley Local Board, for a contribution towards building a bridge over the Pymms brook, between Southgate and Barnet, be adjourned. Easter Sessions.
237. Special report of the county finance committee on the rules under which debentures, in respect of county loans, are to be issued, registered and transferred. Easter Sessions.
273. Chief constable's return. 1st April.
283. Report of the Court House committee Easter Sessions.
353. Report of the highways committee, recommending that the application that a portion of the expenses of erecting the bridge over the Pymms brook, between Southgate and Barnet (see No. 232), be not acceded to, having regard to the fact that by making a contribution towards its re-erection, the county would in future incur a statutory liability to repair the bridge.

With regard to the widening of Small Lee Bridge, which passes over the river Small Lee, and connects the counties of Hertford and Essex, the committee recommend, that when the widening has been completed, a contribution of £100, in addition to the £50 already authorised, be made to the cost, conditionally upon the county of Essex contributing a similar sum. (See No. 517). Midsummer Sessions.

364. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 24th June.
377. Special report of the county finance committee respecting a loan of £6,000, to be raised for station-house purposes. Midsummer Sessions.
395. Report of the county surveyor, stating that the thirty-four undernamed bridges require general repair at an estimated cost not exceeding £200 :—
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| Dane Bridge. | Townshend Arms. |
| Hadham Bridge. | Chalk Pit Hill. |
| Hatfield Bridge. | Stanstead cross roads. |
| Rib Bridge. | Burford Bridge. |
| Westmill Bridge. | Colliers End Bridge. |
| Lemsford Mill. | Ford Bridge. |
| Gregg's Bridge. | Reed Wood Bridge. |
| Hobb's farm Bridge. | Standon Bridge. |
| Little Plashes Bridge. | Hoddesdon Bridge. |
| Puckeridge Bridge. | Cheshunt Wash Bridge. |
| Wadesmill Bridge. | Waterend Gaddesden Bridge. |
| Woollen's Brook Bridge. | High Bridge. |
| Margaret's Bridge. | London Colney Bridge. |
| Broom Hall Bridge. | Redbourn Bridge. |
| Walkern Bridge. | Bushey Mill Bridge. |
| Barley Bridge. | Hunton Bridge. |
| Newell Hill Bridge. | Hunton Canal Bridge. |
408. Supplementary report of the county surveyor on the condition of the main roads in the parishes of Sacombe, St. Michaels, and Walkern. Michaelmas Sessions.
433. Report of the county constabulary committee. Michaelmas Sessions.
- 447a. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 14th October.
498. Report of the St. Albans Court House committee to the court of quarter session, recommending alterations in the Court House, in order to enable the public to make a safe exit from the building, in the event of fire. Michaelmas Sessions.

517. Report of the highways committee, recommending :—

(1) That the work of widening Small Lee Bridge should not be carried out by the county authorities.

(2) That the surveyor be paid £29 10s. 4d. in excess of his estimate for widening Sawbridgeworth County Bridge. 19th December.

526. Quarterly return of the chief constable. 30th December.

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3. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order to divert and turn a certain footway in the parish of Bishop's Stortford, commencing at the house and mill on the road leading from Hockerill to Thorley, and continuing thence in a westerly direction to the road called South Mill Road, to a certain stile there, into and along a certain proposed new footway, commencing at the point near to the Stort Navigation bridge at South Mill, and leading thence over the mill stream and along the north side, and to the north-west corner of, a close of pasture land called South Mill Pasture, into the aforesaid South Mill Road; and for entirely stopping up such first-mentioned highway. (See Nos. 7, 13, 15 (plan), 15a (plan), 16 (plan), 17 and 18; and Volume for 1887, Nos. 5, 10, 11, 13 and 14). 7th January.
6. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up a certain footpath in the parish of St. Stephen, commencing at the west corner of a piece of common land adjoining Black Boy Wood, and proceeding in a north-easterly direction along the south-east side of fields known as the Pightle and Scott's Meadow, and thence along the south-east side of a piece of garden ground, to a gate near the pond there, and then merging into a piece of common land called Black Green. (See Nos. 5 (plan), 9 and 11). 23rd February.
38. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order to divert and turn a public footway known as Love Lane, in the liberty of Brickendon, commencing at a turnstile where the said footway joins Queen's Road, Hertford, and continuing in a westerly direction to a turnstile where

the said footway joins Pegg's Lane, Hertford; and for the construction of a new public footway instead, which shall commence at the said turnstile in Queen's Road and extend in a southerly direction along Queen's Road afore-said, and then in a westerly direction over Crosspath Field, and then in a northerly direction to the said turnstile in Pegg's Lane. (See Nos. 31 (plan), 34, 44, 46 (plan), 47, 49, 51 and 56). 18th August.

177. Report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 274, 352 and 457.
178. Report of the county finance committee as to the Shire Hall at Hertford. Epiphany Sessions.
180. Report of the justices appointed to inspect the condition of the Shire Hall at Hertford. Epiphany Sessions.
181. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division on the contagious diseases (animals) Act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 254, 335 and 424.
183. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division on the contagious diseases (animals) act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 242, 339 and 461.
185. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
193. Report of the police committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 305, 350 and 459.
195. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 276, 354 and 446.
197. Report of the county finance committee concerning the Local Government Boundaries Act, 1887. Epiphany Sessions.

199. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas, see Nos. 278, 356 and 448.
212. Report of the lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar reports to Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions, see Nos. 249, 326 and 439.
218. Printed order of court for the alteration of petty sessional divisions. 2nd January.
226. Statement of certain justices to the clerk of the peace, advising that the parish of Watton should be withdrawn from the Stevenage petty sessional division of special sessions, of which it now forms part, and be annexed to the Hertford division of such sessions. 21st February.
237. Report of the county finance committee on the subject of the county surveyor's salary. 12th March.
239. Report of the special committee appointed to confer with the Local Government Boundaries Commissioners concerning the alterations of boundaries under the Local Government (Boundaries) Act, 1887. 12th March.
244. Portion of a report of the highways committee, recommending that the following roads be declared main roads: that portion of the road from St. Albans to Edgware and London, situate in the parishes of St. Stephen's, Aldenham, Theobald Street and Elstree; a portion of the road between Chipping Barnet and Elstree; and Julian's Road, Stevenage. They are not prepared to make a similar recommendation with regard to Railway Street, Stevenage. 19th March.
270. Quarterly return of crime of the county constabulary committee for the quarter ending 25th March; for similar returns to the Easter, Midsummer and Michaelmas quarters, see Nos. 347, 431 and 538.
272. Report of the court house committee as to alterations necessary to ensure safety in case of panic or fire.
290. Recommendation by certain justices to the clerk of the peace, that the parishes of Great Munden and Little

Munden be withdrawn from the petty sessional division of Stevenage, of which they now form part, and annexed to that of Ware. 3rd April.

293. Report of the Shire Hall committee. Easter.
310. Report of the committee appointed to report upon the Local Government (England and Wales) Bill and the Local Government (England and Wales) Election Bill.
318. Report of the county finance committee, concerning the remuneration of the county treasurer. Midsummer.
328. Portion of a report of the highways committee; they recommend that the order of the 19th March (see No. 244) declaring certain roads to be main roads, be confirmed. 18th June.
330. Report of the committee appointed to watch the Local Government Bills in their progress through committee. Midsummer.
341. Copy of the Quarter Sessions Bill (as amended in committee). 28th June.
364. Special report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee concerning the salary of the coroner for St. Albans. Midsummer.
367. Printed report of the county surveyor of highways, with a detailed schedule as to the condition of the main roads in the county. Midsummer.
413. Annual report of the county surveyor on county bridges; the following are reported to be in need of repair:—
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| Totteridge Bridge. | Essendon Bridge. |
| Bowbridge Bridge. | Goldings (4) Bridge. |
| Holiwell Bridge. | Hamells Bridge. |
| Roxford Bridge. | Bedel Plash Bridge. |
| Waterhall Bridge. | Barley Bridge. |
| Woolmer's Bridge. | Newel Hill Bridge. |
| Bridge on road from Woolmers to Cole Green. | Mile End (Mill End?) Bridge. |
| | Reed Wood Bridge. |
| | Water End Bridge. |
| Farnham Bridge. | London Colney Bridge. |

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| South Mill Bridge. | Park Street Bridge. |
| Buntingford Bridge. | Redbourn Bridge. |
| Small Lee Bridge. | Bushey Mill Bridge. |
| Folley Bridge. | Cashio Bridge. |
| Collier's End Bridge. | Ford Bridge. |

433. Report of the committee appointed to draw up a provisional scheme constituting the electoral divisions for the county. 1st October.
455. Special report of the county constabulary committee as to an increase of the police force. Michaelmas.
463. Statement by the Hertford guardians, concerning the electoral divisions of the county. 15th October.
467. Order of the court dividing the county into electoral divisions. 15th October.
577. Petition of the justices to the House of Lords against the Chesham, Boxmoor and Hemel Hempstead steam tramways.
581. Plan of railways apparently in the parishes of Tottenham, Edmonton, Enfield and Cheshunt.
582. A list of reasons for recommending the annexation of the parishes of Braughing and Great Munden to the Buntingford petty sessional division.

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5. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up certain parts of certain old highways, being cartways, in the parish of Aldenham.

The first part leading from Aldenham and Letchmore Heath to Elstree, commencing at a point distant about 50 yards south-east of the front entrance to Letchmore Lodge, and proceeding thence in a south-easterly direction to the front of the public house called "the Wrestlers," and thence in a similar direction by the side of the park and front lodge belonging to Aldenham House, and terminating where an occupation road runs in a south-westerly direction out of the said old highway down to Aldenham reservoir otherwise Elstree reservoir.

The second part leading from and out of the said first part of the said old highway to Dagger Lane, Caldecote Hill, and commencing at a point about 70 yards south of the front lodge belonging to Aldenham House, and continuing in a westerly direction towards Dagger Lane, and terminating at a point adjoining the north-west corner of a certain close numbered 485 on the ordnance survey map of the parish of Aldenham, at which point the first part of the proposed new highway intersects the part of the said old highway now in description.

The third part being known as Grubb's Lane, and leading from "the Wrestlers" into the road (known as Watling Street), leading from Radlet to Elstree and commencing opposite "the Wrestler," and thence proceeding in a north-easterly direction to the point where the said part of the said old highway now in description runs into the aforesaid road called Watling Street, opposite Medburn Farm.

The courses proposed for the new highways in lieu of the aforesaid parts of the said old highways proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid being as follows:—

The first part of such proposed new highway to commence at the point hereinbefore described at the commencement of the first part of the said old highway, and proceed in a south-easterly direction into and across a certain close, the property of H. H. Gibbs, in the occupation of J. R. Lyon, and thence in a similar direction over certain other closes and a pond, the property of H. H. Gibbs, and thence across the second part of the aforesaid old highway leading towards Dagger Lane and Caldecote Hill, and thence to continue exactly opposite, into, over and along the north-east side of a certain close, also the property of the said H. H. Gibbs, and thence in a curved line in a south-easterly direction over certain other closes, the property of the said H. H. Gibbs, and to terminate at the spot hereinbefore described as the termination of the first part of the said old highway proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid.

The second part of such proposed new highway to proceed out of the said first part of the said proposed new highway at a point about 427 yards south of the front entrance to

Letchmore Lodge aforesaid, and thence, in a north-easterly direction, into and across the aforesaid first part of the said old highway, and thence in a north-easterly direction into and across two closes, the property of the said H. H. Gibbs, and thence into and across an occupation road leading from Grubb's Lane to Slade's Farm, and thence in a curved line, in a north-easterly direction, into and over three closes, the property of the said H. H. Gibbs, to the point where the said second part of the said proposed new highway, now in description, will run into Watling Street at a point about 243 yards north-west of the spot hereinbefore described as the termination of the said third part of the said old highway proposed to be stopped up as aforesaid. (See Nos. 6 and 7 plans; and Volume for 1890, Nos. 2 plan, 13, 66 and 73). 8th October.

8. Application for two justices to view a certain highway in Chipping Barnet, leading along the eastern end of the parish church of Chipping Barnet, and from the High Street to Wood Street, which said highway it is desired shall be stopped up and a new highway made in lieu thereof, which shall run over an open space now forming the site of certain messuages about to be pulled down. (See No. 10; and Volume for 1890, No. 62). 2nd December.
141. Report of the committee of visitors of the Three Counties Asylum. Epiphany Sessions.
149. Report of the sub-committee for the liberty of St. Albans division on the contagious diseases (animals) act to Epiphany Sessions; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see No. 222; the reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions appear to be missing.
169. Report of the police committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see No. 220; the reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions appear to be missing.
171. Report of the liberty of St. Albans divisional finance committee to Epiphany Sessions; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see No. 228; the reports for Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions appear to be missing.

173. Report of the county finance committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see No. 217 ; the reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions appear to be missing.
180. Report of the sub-committee for the Hertford division on the contagious diseases (animals) act to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see Nos. 194 ; the reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions appear to be missing.
182. Report of the lock-ups committee to Epiphany Sessions ; for similar report to Easter Sessions, see No. 209 ; the reports to Midsummer and Michaelmas Sessions appear to be missing.
196. Report of the highways committee. In connection with the Great Northern Railway Bill, they state that the company proposed to abolish an existing level crossing and public road at Little Wymondley, leading from the Stevenage and Hitchin main road to Wymondleybury, and to construct a new road joining the main road at nearly right angles.

At this place there is a culvert which runs along the north side of the main road, passes underneath the main road and then down the south side of it. A portion, if not the whole, of this culvert is repairable by the county authority, and the junction of the proposed new road with the main road appears to be over a portion of the culvert ; the committee recommend that a petition be presented against the bill unless the company undertake to insert a clause for the protection of the county interest.

With regard to the Chesham, Boxmoor and Hemel Hempstead Steam Tramway Bill, the company have obtained an act empowering them to construct certain tramways between Chesham and Boxmoor, comprising (*inter alia*) a tramway along a short length of the main road at Bourne End where the line will cross the road at nearly right angles, and another length from the south end of the railway arch over the road at Boxmoor to Moor End. The line of tramway from the Boxmoor railway station to Moor End will pass over the Bulbourne Bridge, which has a roadway of barely

17 feet ; over the Canal bridge, having a roadway of 17 feet ; under the Midland bridge (near the Heath Park Hotel), which is dangerously narrow, and over Moor End Bridge, which has a roadway only 15 feet wide.

The promoters now seek power to increase the gauge of the whole length of tramway, and to lay a double line of rails for some distance in the Lower Marlowes, Hemel Hempstead, at a point where the railway bridge passes over the road, leaving on both sides a less width than 9 feet 6 inches between the footpath and the rail, this particular length of double rails is, however, just beyond where the main road terminates. The committee recommend that a petition be presented against the bill, that such action as may be necessary may be taken for the protection of the county interests, under the directions of the committee, up to the time when the county council will enter upon its duties and take over the charge of the main roads. Epiphany.

- 207. Portion of a report of the highways committee, recommending that it is not desirable to proceed with an opposition against the Great Northern Railway, and the Hemel Hempstead steam tramways. 25th March.
- 211. Report of the St. Albans Court House committee. Easter Sessions.
- 215. Report of the Hertford divisional finance committee. Easter Sessions.
- 224. Return of crime for the quarter ended 25th March. 5th April.

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- 26. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order that a certain public footway in the parish of Great Amwell, commencing in Kilnfield, opposite to the north-east corner of residential premises known as Ware Hillside House, occupied by Septimus Croft, esquire, and continuing in a north-westerly direction to the flight of thirteen stone steps leading on to the high road from Hoddesdon to Ware, shall be diverted, and, instead thereof, that a new public footway shall be made, commencing at the same point in Kilnfield,

and extending in a westerly direction across Hawfield, for a distance of 507 feet to the said high road from Hoddesdon to Ware. (See Nos. 3, 6, 7, 9, 11, 18 (plan), 21, 24, 27, 38, 40, 42, 43 (plan), 44, 55 and 67). 19th April.

34. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order for diverting and stopping up the following highways, being footways, in the parish of Abbots Langley : --

(1) A footway situate on a piece of land called Marlins Field, in the parish of Abbots Langley, commencing at a point on a public footway on a new road called Langley Road, marked A on the plan of the said piece of land, and running thence in an easterly direction 177 feet to a point marked B on the said plan (which point is on a new road called Marlins Square); the course proposed for the new footway (wholly in the parish of Abbots Langley) in lieu of that to be diverted, being of the length of 94 feet, commences at a point on the public footway on the Langley Road, marked C on the plan, and proceeds from thence in a north-easterly direction for 94 feet down the south-easterly side of Marlins Square, the property of William Sibley and George Arthur Heath, to the point marked B on the plan, and there joins the existing footway.

(2) A footway, also situate on the piece of land called Marlins Field, commencing at a point marked D on the plan, and running from thence in a north-easterly direction 356 feet to a point marked E on the plan; the course proposed for the new footway (wholly in the parish of Abbots Langley) in lieu of that to be diverted, being of the length of 227 feet 6 inches, and uniform width of 6 feet, commences at a spot on the footway on the Langley road, marked F on the plan, and proceeds from thence in a north-easterly direction the whole distance down the south-easterly side of the other part of the new road called Marlins Square to a point marked G on the plan, and there joins the existing footway. (See 32 (plan), 33 (plan), 35, 36, 37, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49 and 51). 9th May.

62. Printed notice of an application for an order to stop up a certain highway, of a total length of 56 feet, situate wholly in the town and parish of Chipping Barnet, commencing

at a point marked A on the plan, being on the northern side of the road leading from Barnet to Watford, at that part of the road known as Wood Street, in the town of Chipping Barnet, and continuing from the said point along or by the side of the eastern end or wall of the said parish church in a northerly direction for a distance of 56 feet to a point marked B on the plan, until it reaches the road leading from London to St. Albans, at that part of the road known as the High Street of the town of Chipping Barnet, and in lieu thereof to form a new highway which will run over an open space of ground containing 4,169 square feet, now forming the site of certain messuages or tenements and premises about to be pulled down and removed by the Local Board for the district of Barnet, and which are shown on the plan and distinguished thereon by the colour blue and by the numbers 47, 49, 51, 53 and 55. (See Nos. 57, 59, 61 (plan), 63 and 65; and Volume for 1889, No. 8, and Volume for 1891, No. 1). 29th July.

- 230. Printed report of the standing joint committee appointed for purposes of the police, etc. 27th June.
- 253. Report of arbitrators, certifying that the average price of a Winchester bushel of good marketable wheat within the county for the ten years last past is 4s. 5d., and for the twenty years last past is 5s. 3d. 11th October.

BUNDLE FOR 1891.

- 1. Certificate of two justices that a new highway in the parish of Chipping Barnet, lying between Wood Street and High Street, near the end of the parish church, and running over an open space formerly the site of certain messuages recently pulled down, is completed. (See Volume for 1890, No. 62). 5th January.
- 13. Notice of an application for an order to stop up a certain public highway in the parish of Bishop's Hatfield, commencing in Crosspath Field, nearly opposite to the spot at which the highways from Hatfield to Essendon and Hatfield to Cole Green diverge, and continuing in a north-westerly direction, across Crosspath Field, Sheepcote Field,

and a field called "Twenty Acres," to the south-western corner of a wood known as Moat Wood ; and to make instead thereof a new public highway commencing at the said south-western corner of Moat Wood and extending, in a southerly direction, across the aforesaid fields to the high road from Hatfield to Hertford, near a spot where a spring runs under the road. (See Nos. 7 (plan), 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14, 15, 16, 18, 20, 23-27 ; and Volume for 1890, Nos. 76 (plan), 77, 79, 81, 82 and 84 ; and Volume for 1892, No. 15). 6th February.

17. Certificate by two justices that a new footway (made in lieu of an old footway in the parish of Watford, from a carriage-way called Eastbury Lane to Northwood Railway Station) is completed. (See Volume for 1890, No. 75). 9th February.
41. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up two footpaths in the parish of Much Hadham, in the Hadham highway district, running across Mr. Richard Hunt's pastures on his Culver Lodge Estate, in an easterly and north-easterly direction from the corner of the lane at the maltings near Hadham Cross, towards the Woodside Cottages, and making a new public footway leading from the east side of the said lane between the said Richard Hunt's cottages there and the said maltings, and running in an easterly direction across the said pastures with a bridge over the river to the gate at the corner of the road near the Woodside Cottages. (See Nos. 4, plan 5, 6, 12, 28, 41, 42, 50, plan 53 and 55). 10th April.
47. Notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up a footway leading from Aldbury Common near Toms Hill, in the parish of Aldbury, over lands in the occupation of J. M. Wood, esquire, and R. W. Wood, esquire, and Mr. Ashby, towards Norcott Hill Farm, in the parish of Northchurch, the course proposed for the new footway in lieu thereof being to the east of the old footway through Outside Field in Taylor's Field. (See Nos. 30, 31, 32, 33, 34 plan, 35, 36, 38, 43, 44, 48, 49, 60 and 63). 10th April.
160. Report of the standing joint committee for police purposes. 9th January.

177. Provisional order dissolving the Hitchin highway district. 1st August. •
178. Final order dissolving the Hitchin highway district. 14th November.

BUNDLE FOR 1892.

4. Certificate that certain justices have viewed certain highways lately made in the parish of Harpenden, called Milton Road, Cowper road and Shakspear Road. (See No. 6, plan). 24th March.
7. Certificate that two justices have viewed a certain highway lately made in the parish of Harpenden, called Carlton Road. (See No. 9, plan). 24th March.
10. Certificate of two justices that they have viewed certain highways lately made on Harpenden Common in the parish of Harpenden, namely :—
 - (1) From Luton and St. Albans, by Laboratory and Pimlico, back to same road, with branches to Red Cottage, and from River's Lodge and Laboratory to Luton and St. Albans Road.
 - (2) From Luton and St. Albans Road to Brick Field.
 - (3) From Luton and St. Albans Road to Laburnum Villa.
 - (4) From Luton and St. Albans Road near Hatchen Green by Cravell's Road and Limbrick Hall, with branches to Coleswood and Green Croft, and back to same road.
 - (5) From Cravell's Road to Redbourn and Wheathampstead Road.
 - (6) From Redbourn and Wheathampstead Road by Thistle Field to join branch road from Luton and Wheathampstead Road. (See No. 12 plan). 24th March.
23. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order to stop up a certain footpath in the parish of Berkhamstead St. Peter, "which has existed from time immemorial," through a piece of land in the Shrublands Road, commencing at a point marked A on the plan hereinafter referred to, and then proceeding in a north-westerly direction to the point marked B on the said plan, the said footpath being

bounded on both sides for the whole of its length by land belonging to the Rev. Arthur Johnson, who, as compensation for the stopping up of the said footpath, agrees to give up to the public a piece of land, having a frontage to Gilham's Lane in the said parish, which piece of land is marked yellow on the said plan. (See Nos. 17, 19, 21, 24 plan, and 25). 1st June.

- 30b. Notice of application to be made for an order to stop up a certain public highway in the parish of St. Peter, St. Albans, to wit, Cecil Road, which leads from and out of Cavendish Road into Camp Lane ; also for an order to stop up part of a certain public highway, to wit, Albion Road, in the same parish, commencing from a point leading from and out of Cecil Road, extending in a north-westerly direction, and terminating at a point where the proposed new highway hereafter referred to is intended to join the said Albion Road ; and that in lieu of the above-mentioned public highways so proposed to be stopped up, wholly or partly, a new public highway may be made commencing at a point north-west of the boundary post of the city of St. Albans, situate in Camp Road, in the parish of St. Peter, and extending in a north-easterly direction, and then merging into Albion Road, and then proceeding in the same direction, and merging into Cavendish Road. (See Nos. 30a, 31c, 31d : also Volume for 1893, Nos. 8 and 10, plan). 21st October.
40. Presentment of Edwin Parsons, baker, of London Colney, in the parish of St. Peter, for erecting six wooden fences across the Queen's highway leading from London Colney to St. Albans, and for erecting six wooden fences upon the roadside waste on the north-east side of the said highway. 29th March.
199. Report of the standing joint committee appointed for purposes of the police, etc. (See No. 233). 24th June.

BUNDLE FOR 1893.

13. Printed notice of application to be made for an order to divert, turn, and stop up a certain part of a public footway situate

at Felden, in the parish of Bovingdon, and in lieu thereof to construct a new footway.

The footway to be closed is described as leading from Boxmoor, over Sheethanger Common into Longcroft Lane, and commencing at a spot on Sheethanger Common where the said footway is intersected by an ancient cart track as the said footway passes along the metalled carriage-road leading over the common aforesaid in the direction of Felden Lodge. The said footway, after passing along the said carriage-road, proceeds through the north-eastern entrance gates to Felden Lodge, and thence in a south-westerly direction through the grounds of Felden Lodge, and over the said carriage-road for a certain distance, and then leaving the said carriage-road on the north-west, proceeds in a southerly direction until it reaches a wicket-gate near the north-eastern end of the boundary wall of the garden and premises of Felden Lodge, and from thence proceeding along the eastern side of the boundary wall and between that and a meadow known as Long Bush Croft reaches the hard road leading from and out of Longcroft Lane to the south entrance gate of Felden Lodge, and, after traversing such road, terminates at the spot where the same enters the said lane known as Longcroft Lane leading from Longcroft Farm to Felden.

The new footway is to commence at the said spot on Sheethanger Common where the present footway is intersected by the ancient cart track, and diverging from the metalled carriage-road leading towards Felden Lodge, is to proceed thence across the said common, being open land vested in the trustees of Boxmoor, in a south-westerly direction, in a straight line, to and through the existing gate of the meadow known as Middle Croft, and thence to the south-eastern corner of the fence forming the boundary of the kitchen garden and plantation of Felden Lodge, and from thence in a direct line across the meadow known as Long Bush Croft, still in a south-westerly direction, to the south-western corner of such last-mentioned meadow, and entering the lane called Longcroft Lane, is to terminate at the spot forming the southern termination of the said

part of the old footway. (See Nos. 11, 13, 14, 16, 17, 19, 21, 23 and 29 plan; also Volume for 1892, 31a and 31b). 14th January.

26. Printed notice of application to be made for an order for stopping up as unnecessary a certain part of a highway, being a footway, in the parish of Watford, leading from and out of a new road called Leavesden Road to Leavesden and Abbots Langley, commencing at a point where the said footway enters and follows the line of an occupation road leading out of the northernmost side of Leavesden Road aforesaid to Callow Land Farm, such occupation road being the property of George, Earl of Essex, and which said footway, after passing along the said occupation road, proceeds thereout in a north-westerly direction into and across a certain close, also the property of the said Earl of Essex, and terminates at a point near the north-west corner of the last-mentioned close, from which point a continuation of the said footway leads towards Leavesden and Abbots Langley. (See Nos. 24, 27, 28 and 28a). 18th April.
35. Printed notice of an application to be made for an order for turning, diverting and stopping up parts of a certain public highway for foot passengers, or footpath, known as Bond's Field Footpath, situate in the parish of Ware, leading from Musley Lane to the high road from Ware to Wareside. (See Nos. 32 plan, 33, 36 plan, and 37-45). 25th April.
188. Order for indicting the inhabitants of the parish of Hitchin for not repairing parts of the highway in that parish called Offley Holes Road. 11th July.

BUNDLE FOR 1894.

- 81-85. Petition from the inhabitants of the parishes of Watton, Datchworth, Sacombe, Great Munden and Little Munden, against the transfer of the two last-named parishes from the petty sessional division of Stevenage to that of Ware; and opinion of the justices of the petty sessional division of Ware in favour of the transfer, and of creating a special sessional division for Ware.

A D D E N D A .

VOLUME FOR DIVERS YEARS.

SECTION I.

190. 5th April, 1630. Presentment that Robert Dimsdale, late of Hodsdon, in the parish of Broxbourne, barber, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
192. Similar presentment of Joan Oliver, otherwise Slaughter, of Caddington, spinster.
193. Similar presentment of John Taylor, otherwise Fuller, late of Hoddesdon, in the parish of Broxbourne, labourer.
194. 5th April, 1630. Presentment that William Essex, late of Hodsdon, in the parish of Broxbourne, tailor, had practised the trade or mystery of a draper, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
195. 5th April, 1630. Presentment that Thomas Taylor, late of Hodsdon, in the parish of Broxbourne, painter, had practised the art or mystery of a glazier, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
197. 5th April, 1630. Presentment that Christopher Robinson, of Ware, yeoman, had practised the art or mystery of a baker at Ware, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
202. 12th January, 1630-1. Presentment that John Nashe, late of Watton, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
205. 11th July, 1631. Presentment that Matthew Orgar, late of Albury, carpenter, had practised the art or mystery of a "chaundler," without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.

206. 1631. Presentment that Richard Daquett, late of Hertford, butcher, had in his house for sale, 5 butts of Spanish wine, 5 hogsheads of French wine, and 5 hogsheads of white wine, contrary to the form of the statute of 7 Edward VI.
207. 9th April, 1632. Presentment that William Aunsell, of Harpenden, yeoman, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
- 208 & 209. 9th April, 1632. Presentments that Robert Barnes, of Stortford, husbandman, had practised the arts or mysteries of a glazier and plumber, without having served an apprenticeship to those trades for seven years.
210. 9th July, 1632. Presentment that John Barnes, of Stortford, husbandman, had practised the art or mystery of a plumber, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
211. 7th January, 1632-3. Presentment that William Williamson, of Waltham Cross, in the parish of Cheshunt, yeoman, had practised the art or mystery of a baker, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
212. 29th April, 1633. Presentment that William Aunsted, of Sawbridgeworth, yeoman, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
213. 29th April, 1633. Presentment that William Hare, of Waltham Cross, had practised the art or mystery of a baker, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
214. 29th April, 1633. Presentment that Thomas Mortimer, of Stevenage, yeoman, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
215. 30th September, 1633. Presentment that Thomas Wills-mert, of Barkway, tailor, had practised the art or mystery of a barber-surgeon, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.

216. 13th January, 1633-4. Presentment that John Piggott, of Bennington, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
217. 14th April, 1634. Presentment that Thomas Chapman, late of Walkerne, weaver, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
221. 12th January, 1634-5. Presentment that John Brade, late of Braughin, tailor, had practised the art or mystery of a barber-surgeon, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
222. 12th January, 1634-5. Presentment of the following persons for practising trades to which they had not been duly apprenticed :—Robert Whitbye, of Furnex Pelham, labourer, William and George Northopp,, of Buntingford, and John Thorne, of Sandon, labourers, that of fellmongers ; Philip Webster, of Royston, labourer, Thomas Sabye, of Ashwell, carpenter, Richard Steele, of Tharfield, labourer, James Starke, otherwise Starkinge, of Aspeden, labourer, and John Osland, of Barkway, that of millers ; Thomas Wynne, of Buntingford, tailor, and James Bannett, of Barkwaye, labourer, that of baker, and Richard Burbey, of Barkway, John Payne, of Barkway, labourer, Michael Merrey, Thomas Thorowgood, of Barkway, John Mann, of Reede, Thomas Skepp and Matthew Jackson, both of Barley, John Campion, of Aspeden, and Luke Wood, of Cottered, that of oatmeal makers.
223. 13th July, 1635. Presentment that Richard Sellwood, of Hatfield, locksmith, had practised the art or mystery of a linendraper, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
225. 11th January, 1635-6. Presentment that Peter Patmore, of Hodsdon, yeoman, had practised the art or mystery of a grocer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
226. 25th April, 1636. Presentment that John Stocke, of Cheshunt, had practised the art or mystery of a shoemaker, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.

1. 17th April, 1637. This entry is calendared on p. 61 of Volume I. of the calendar already printed ; but the name of the farm there stated to be " Waterford " should be " Water End."
243. 1651. Presentment that John Hawkins, late of Benington, labourer, had erected a cottage without assigning four acres of freehold land to the same, contrary to the form of the statute.
247. 14th July, 1651. Presentment, among others, of John Juniver, of Sawbridgeworth, grocer, for setting up a " howse of office " in Duck Lane in the said parish, " which lyethe open to the great danger of many children as also to many passengers that pass that way."
377. 1651. Petition of the overseer of the poor of Waltham Cross for the repayment of money disbursed by him. " Theobald's Parke " is mentioned as being assessed at £4 18s., with a further note that " Theobald's Park of itself could not be charged, but the persons, owners of it, in respect of their estates there ; at that tyme the said park was in the hands of the Commonwealth. Collonell Thomlinson was noe inhabitant in, nor ever had any estate in, Theobald's House, for which causes your petitioners could not receive the said summes."
378. 3rd October, 1651. Memorial of inhabitants of Shenley to the justices, certifying that Thomas Addison, of that parish, labourer, is an industrious poor man and maintains his wife and family without any parish relief, and praying that he may have his cottage continued to him for an habitation, so that the charge of finding him a house may not fall upon the parish.
229. 22nd February, 1653-4. Deposition of Basil Mills, of Wormley, fisherman, against William Shittleton, of Cheshunt, labourer, summoned on a charge of poaching in Lord Carlisle's fishery. The prisoner had told Mills that one night he and Symon Archer, of Cheshunt, labourer, had been fishing " with a castinge nett downe the river as farr as my lorde of Carlile's dogghouse " ; that they had caught nothing and had determined " to have gone out a fishinge another night, but the night did not prove a fishinge night."

William Landham, husbandman, John Jerry, tanner, and William Fordham, husbandman, all of Wormley, had been arrested on the same charge. (See also Calendar, Vol. I., p. 101).

255. 1653. Presentment by the grand jury for the county of Hertford :—John Hayley, of Weston, for “selling of wares upon the Sabboath.”
379. 3rd April, 1654. Petition of William Plumer, of Watford (?)*, gentleman, to the justices, setting forth that Samuel Barber, esquire, was robbed of certain moneys near Welwyn in the hundred of Broadwater, who sued the inhabitants of the said hundred for his money, and obtained an execution against them, which was levied upon the petitioner and several others. The execution and charges of the suit, amounting to £29, being all “expended” from the petitioner and the rest who followed the suit, the petitioner prays the assistance of the bench for regaining the robbery money.
281. 6th April, 1662. Presentment that John Shinn, late of Albury, interrupted the minister at the parish church during the time of Divine service.
284. 6th April, 1662. Presentment that George Scott, late of Bengoe, neglected to go to the parish church for Divine service.
291. 6th April, 1662. Presentment that Josias Shippson, of Bengoe, refused to go to the parish church of Bengoe.
- 294, 295, & 298. Presentment for recusancy of Thomas Lewis, otherwise Trayherne, of Tewing, William Parkin, late of Bengoe, and Robert Prior, of Bishop’s Hatfield.
387. 1662. Certificate by the Earl of Essex and two others, in favour of Richard Asser. (This document is calendared at p. 149 of Vol. I. of the Calendar, but the number of it is there wrongly given as “87”).
390. 10th July, 1662. Petition to the justices from Edmond Parlett, vicar, and the churchwardens of Broxbourne, and others, on behalf of William Lowine, husbandman, and

* Reading doubtful ; the word evidently altered from “Ware.”

Martha Tuffnel, widow, whose dwelling houses at Broxbourne had been burnt down by a great fire, "occasioned" by a high wind at Broxbourne, on June 6th, involving their entire ruin. The petitioners humbly recommend them as fit objects of charity.

- 232b. 14th July, 1662. Presentment that Christopher . . .* had practised the art or mystery of a painter without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
- 232c. 14th July, 1662. Presentment that John Sedgry (?), of . . . had practised the art or mystery of a cloth-dyer, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
441. 1662. Order to call upon the constable of the liberty of Brickendon, "to know when Joseph Saword and Josias Hall, with severall others, were at thear parish church, which has not ben this 10 months."
39. 1666. Order of the court that a committee, consisting of a number of persons named, or any three of them, do make a tax or rate upon the inhabitants of all the towns, parishes and places within this county for the relief of the towns and parishes of Bishop's Stortford, Hoddesdon, and Cheshunt, which are much impoverished "by reason of the infection of the plague with which they have been and now are sorely visited"; and for reimbursing the money so advanced in such proportion as they shall think fit, having regard to those places as have been formerly infected or have already paid towards the relief of places so infected. (See also Calendar, Vol. I., p. 189).
399. 2nd January, 1666-7. Certificate by the bench that Mary Mayhew, widow, of Much Hadham—who was lately presented for turning a certain watercourse in a close called the "Backside," in Much Hadham, so that the water overflowed various houses—has now set the said "ayncient watercourse back in its former current."
- 414 & 415. 9th January, 1670-71. Receipt for money received by Thomas Richards for the use of "the visited people," in Bishop's Stortford, Hodsdon, and Cheshunt.

* Name illegible.

It is endorsed with an account of the expenditure of the money "collected upon the accmpt of the plague;" £5 12s. 5d., the residue thereof, was paid to John Revington "towards the building of a county bridge in Sabridgworth.

- 236a. 12th January, 1675-6. Presentment that *
Warner, late of Baldock, had practised the art or mystery of a baker, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
345. 1699. Presentments as to a bridge or footway leading from Hertford to Ware. (This is wrongly numbered in Calendar, Volume II., p. 22, as "1699").
347. 1699. Presentment of "the jury of constables" for the hundreds of Broadwater and Dacorum, that Mary Evens, wife of Benjamin Evens, of Caddington, was "a common scold and disturber of his Majestie's peace."
366. 10th November, 1699. Presentment of John Denvill, late of Broxbourne, and divers others, for poaching hares and rabbits.
344. 4th September, 1700. Presentment that John Goodwyn, late of Potter's Green, in the parish of Little Munden, yeoman, had set up a pale on the common, four perches in length, thereby obstructing the common and an ancient watercourse or ditch there. (See also Calendar, Vol. II., p. 28).
369. 1700. Presentment that Jeremiah Wells, late of Ickleford, labourer, and divers others, had certain gins and nets for catching hares, rabbits, and birds, and that Wells had taken a partridge worth 10d. in a place called Hyde Shott, in the parish of "Walsed."
370. 14th July, 1701. Indictment of George Collins, late of Welwyn, labourer, and Robert Crawley, late of Danchworth (?), labourer, for entering the rabbit warren of Ralph Wingate, esquire, with sticks and arrows, and taking rabbits.
372. 1st February, 1708-9. Presentment that Joseph Tomlinson, late of Hertford, labourer, had practised the art or mystery

* Name illegible.

of a baker, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.

- 371. 20th January, 1718-19. Presentment that Thomas Richardson, late of Stansted, labourer, had practised the art or mystery of a baker, without having served an apprenticeship of seven years.
- 162. 3rd November, 1770. Recognizances of Thomas Barber, the elder, and Thomas Barber, the younger, of Tring, labourers, bound over in £20 for carrying away beech and oak timber, the property of Charles Gore, esquire, of Tring.
- 404d. November, 1836. Reprint, dated 1877, of rules and orders of a Friendly Society established at the Two Brewers' Inn, Hitchin.

SECTION II.

- 684. 29th July, 1870. Letter from the Home Office to the Clerk of the Peace, transmitting copy of a letter from Lieut-Colonel Cobbe, inspector of constabulary, calling attention to the defective construction and arrangements of the police cells at Royston, Stevenage, Watford, Ware and Berkhamstead. The Home Secretary hopes the magistrates will take measures for remedying the defects.
- 673. 15th October, 1870. Petition of the inhabitants of the parish of Shenley to the justices, submitting that it would be greatly to the advantage of the parish if it were placed under the control of the county instead of the metropolitan police.
- 599 & 600. 17th November, 1870. Indictment of James Shuttleworth and John Pickersgill for unlawfully uttering twenty-three counterfeit silver coins. Found guilty and each sentenced to four months' imprisonment with hard labour. (*Vide* also 533).
- 510. 2nd December, 1870. Recognizance of James Shuttleworth and John Peckersgill, "charged on suspicion of unlawfully uttering base and counterfeit coin."

676. 17th December, 1870. Petition from the ratepayers of Ridge similar to that (No. 673) from the inhabitants of Shenley.
- 487 & 488. 24th December, 1870. Certificate of Henry J. Toulmin and George F. Whittingstall, two justices, of the completion of the new highway between Wheathampstead and Codicote. (See bundle for 1870, No. 14).

SECTION III.

787. 1872. Rules for the conduct of business in Petty and Special Sessions, framed by the justices' clerks' salaries committee.
846. Easter, 1880. Draft resolution that Dobb's Weir Bridge be adopted, conjointly with the county of Essex, as a county bridge, upon certain improvements being made to it.
798. 18th October, 1880. Complaint of Salisbury Baxendale, esquire, that the undermentioned highway authorities have respectively made default in maintaining the undermentioned highways in their respective jurisdictions :—

The road between Hertford and St. Margaret's. The surveyors of the parish of Great Amwell.

The main road between Hoddesdon and Cheshunt. The surveyors of the parish of Broxbourne.

The main road between Hoddesdon and Cheshunt. The surveyors of the parish of Wormley.

709. 13th October, 1880. Printed notice of application for an order to divert and stop up a public highway or footway in the parish of St. Peter, St. Albans, which footway leads out of St. Peter's Road, St. Albans, from the junction of St. Peter's Road with Hatfield Road, and, proceeding in an easterly direction for 95 feet or thereabouts, crosses the site of the proposed new public highway, hereinafter to be described, with which new highway such 95 feet or thereabouts of the said public highway is intended to be embodied; then, still proceeding in an easterly direction for about 430 feet, runs to the site of the said proposed new highway; then,

still proceeding in an easterly direction for about 185 feet, crosses the site of the said proposed new public highway, with which proposed new highway such 185 feet of the said public highway is intended to be embodied ; then, proceeding in a winding manner for about 60 feet, runs to the spot where the said public highway opens out in two branches and forms two parts, one of which parts, proceeding in an easterly direction, runs to the site of the said proposed new public highway ; then, still proceeding in an easterly direction for about 45 feet, crosses the site of the said proposed new public highway, with which proposed new highway such 45 feet of the said public highway is intended to be embodied, and then, proceeding in a winding manner, runs to the footbridge over the railway of the Midland Railway Company, and thence continues in an easterly direction over the said bridge and certain closes of land until the junction of the said public highway with the Hatfield Road aforesaid.

The other of such two parts of the said public highway, proceeding, from the said spot where the said highway opens out in two branches as aforesaid, in a north-easterly direction, runs to the site of the said proposed new public highway ; then, still proceeding in a north-easterly direction for about 75 feet, crosses the site of the said proposed new highway, with which proposed highway such 75 feet of the said public highway is intended to be embodied ; then, still proceeding in a north-easterly direction, runs to the small gate leading through the wooden boundary fence there, and thence continues in a north-easterly direction to and over an accommodation bridge across the said Midland railway, and thence continues over a certain close of land to the junction of the said highway with a public lane or highway known as Sandpit Lane. [See also Nos. 705, 709, 712 (plan), and 713].

- 717. 24th November, 1880. Certificate that certain justices have viewed a highway, called Lower Cross Road, lately made in the parish of Hemel Hempstead.
- 718. 24th November, 1880. Certificate that certain justices have viewed the following highways lately made in the parish of

Hemel Hempstead:—New Road, Midland Road, Broad Street and East Street.

719. 28th November, 1880. Notice of a vestry meeting of the hamlet of Hoddesdon, to be held for the purpose of considering a proposal from Mr. Alfred Manser, to divert the footpath in Bell Lane, leading across Lampit, and thence to New River Bank into Marsh Lane. A resolution to accept the proposal was carried unanimously. [See also No. 700].
722. 1st December, 1880. Printed notice of application to stop up a certain highway in the parish of Furneux Pelham, within the Hadham highway district, commencing at or near the ford on the south side of the road leading from Hornead through Furneux Pelham street to Albury, proceeding in a southerly and easterly direction, and terminating at or near the beerhouse, known as "the Star," on the road leading to Braughing (called Oldfield Road); but reserving a footway along the south-west side of part of the said highway proposed to be stopped up. The said footway commences at the corner of the path leading from Patient End to Furneux Pelham church, at the point of the said path nearest the said ford, and terminates near the said beer-house at the point where it is so proposed to stop up the said highway.

And also for an order to divert the last mentioned highway into, through and over a new highway lately made in the said parish of Furneux Pelham, leading from the said Oldfield Road towards the said church, and terminating near the said church and the "White Lion" inn on the south side of the said road leading from Hornead through Furneux Pelham street to Albury. [See also No. 706 plan].

825. 20th December, 1880. Report of the county surveyor to the highways committee, with a schedule of main roads' accounts annexed.
831. 24th December, 1880. Report of the county surveyor to the highways committee. With regard to certain complaints as to the condition of several main roads, namely those through the parishes of Broxbourne and Wormley, and the road through Chorley Green towards Rush Green, between

Stanstead and Hertford; he states that in April last, when the Hertford Highway Board was dissolved and the parish authorities became charged with the care of these roads, their condition was very bad, and that much must be done before they can be restored to a satisfactory state. The latter road, also, lies in the trough of a valley which receives the rainfall from the upper lands towards the west, and from a small valley to the south. The drainage system is insufficient, and it is useless to repair the road until proper works of drainage are carried out.

- 837. 24th December, 1880. Report of the chief constable.
- 727. Undated plan of lands on the east of the Great Eastern railway and river Stort.
- 728. Undated tracing from the ordnance plan, showing part of the parish of Layston.
- 847. Undated. Draft order that the surveyors of the parish of Broxbourne do repair the main road between Hoddesdon and Cheshunt.
- 849. Undated. Draft order that the surveyors of the parish of Great Amwell do repair the road between Hertford and St. Margarets.

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